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Reminiscences of the Lake Country.

BY MARK TAPLEY.

C Pond and the Speckled Beauties.—French's Hotel to the Lake.—Richard Morton, the Guide, and his Ox Team.—The Bed of Boughs.—The Fat Boy's Trials.

Some four to five miles north-east of the Surplus settlement in Township C lies a beautiful little sheet of water known as C Pond. This pond is often visited by fishing parties and is said to be well stocked with spotted trout of fair size and excellent flavor.

The worst feature is its difficulty of access, which can be overcome by the ingenuity and perseverance of these sturdy backwoodsmen whose first lessons in life have been to adapt themselves to circumstances and people. To give the reader a correct idea of this we will relate a circumstance of which we were a witness some two years since.

At break of day all was hurry and bustle in and about French's Hotel at Andover. Dinner baskets were filled, fishing tackel, a tent, several large trunks, cooking utensils and all other necessary camp equipage were snugly packed on the rear of a monster buckboard covered with factory cloth and drawn by two large and spirited horses. The restive and high mettled animals champed their bits and pawed the earth as though eager to be off. Soon the party of adventurers appear, some ten to twelve loaded with valises, umbrellas, shawls and the like, all from the city of Lynn and headed by Lothrop, the jolly shoe boss and champion story teller of his native city.

The goodbys are said. French mounts the box, cracks his whip and amid waving of handkerchiefs and loud hurrahs they turn the corner and are swiftly borne toward their destination.

A ride over the Surplus road must be a rare treat to one fond of the beauties and wonders of nature who has been pent up within brick walls for years and continually harrassed by the toils and care of business. They pass several fine farm houses, the site of an ancient saw mill, an old red school house almost hidden by bushes, the place known as the Old Maid's Plantation (where the varmint chased young Martin so many years ago) and then they began to enter the wilds of Maine.

A little patch of intervale now skirts the dashing stream, then the almost perpendicular ledge makes boldly out leaving scarcely room for a passing carriage, a cosy log house nearly hidden by the trees. Then a small opening where scarcely a vestage of the old habitation can be seen for the luxuriant growth of bushes. This is the spot where young Bean had the desperate encounter with the bear.

They halt at Richard Morton's who is to act as guide and furnish facilities for further transportation. The old red farm house looks for all the world just as it did forty years ago. The long, low shed with blacksmith shop attached, the massive barn covered with cedar splits, the adjacent sheds filled with straw. Two mares with their foals and a large flock of sheep are quietly feeding by the roadside. The surrounding mountains together with the broad and fertile intervale covered with the luxuriant crop of grain just beginning to take on the russet and golden hue forms a scene for the painter almost unsurpassable.

Everything is in readiness for the party as they didn't come unannounced. A stout, bony pair of oxen were attached to a wooden shod sled and the fit-out was quickly transferred from the buckboard and securely bound. One of the party, a fat pale faced fellow, was advised to stay back as he had no idea of the task before him. But he persisted that he could mate the best of them on a tramp if he "was fat and growed up in the shade."

All being made secure, the party shouldered their rifles and donned their game bags while the guide refilled and lighted his pipe. Morton swings his good stick, calls "Gee Star Her Line," and the cavalcade moves steadily forward. Some half mile up the hill and they enter an old logging road now choked by weeds and small undergrowth. The party stub their toes against hidden stumps and roots, ofttimes pitching headlong to the ground, then recover and laugh at their own mishaps and soiled clothes, while the patient and sturdy old Sprucers clamber along without any apparent extra effort.

They plod through brooks and quagmires, toil up steep ascents then descending steep precipices without the least mishap till at last the goal is reached. The cattle are now turned loose to graze on the adjacent intervale, the tent is quickly spread and the whole party go about preparing dinner, which is devoured with a relish unknown to these city chaps before.

Dinner over and now for the fish the fun and the frolic. This is carried on till nightfall when a fire is built, supper dispatched and a bed of soft boughs prepared for the general accommodation of the party. A jolly evening is passed enlivened by stories, songs and jests, till the leader announces the hour of retiring, then each wrapping himself in his blanket lays him down to rest lulled by the gentle splash of the waves, the song of the whippoorwill and the distant toot of the owl with a mental ejaculation (for ought we know) like Sanco Panza of old, "God bless the man who invented sleep."

Next morning they are all up and stirring betimes and after a hearty breakfast and adding a few more trout to their already fine haul, the tent is struck, the camp equipage is packed, the oxen yoked and a portion of the company start on their return by the way they came, while the others guided by Morton's son followed a mountain stream which afforded fine fishing and by which they could return by a more circuitous route. Among the latter was the fat boy, who declared he would show them what he could endure. The sun came out hot and sultry. Fatty soon began to fall behind and then had to lie down and rest. They soon came to a steep ascent which the poor fellow declared he could never climb. His companions were now obliged to use persuasions and even threats to induce him to make the least effort while they supported him on either side.

By these means they by easy stages at last surmounted the lofty height which overlooked the valley. The sight of a habitation seemed to revive his drooping spirits. The alarm had spread throughout the settlement and a rescuing party started to meet them. At last more dead than alive Fatty was brought to the open field where he was placed in a carriage and conveyed to the house where proper restoratives were administered so that he was able to mount the buckboard and ride to Andover, receiving many jokes from his companions, which he swallowed in glum silence declaring that he would never undertake such a tramp again till he had been hardened by a good course of training.

BUCKFIELD.

Last Friday a man brought to Ozen Spaulding's shop in Buckfield, to be planed, some yellow birch boards, which had been in his barn for over forty years. They are to be made into a casket for his own occupancy. The man had the appearance of a man with a score of years in store, reports the Canton Telephone.

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Historical Notes.

The County of Oxford was established in 1805 and Paris became a shiretown in the same year. A Court of General sessions was held there for the first time on the second Tuesday of June, being the 11th of said month, 1805. The reader will remember that we were then a part of Massachusetts:—15 years later Maine became an independent state.

At the first term of court twenty justices were in attendance, having each general jurisdiction, similar to our justices of the peace of the present time. Hon. Samuel Parris was appointed an agent to obtain permission to keep prisoners in Cumberland County jail at Portland. At an adjourned session held the 2d Tuesday of August, Wm. Livermore, Daniel Stowell and Caleb Prentiss, Esqs., were appointed a committee to locate public buildings. Hon. Luther Cary, Wm. Livermore, Daniel Stowell, Caleb Prentiss and Francis Keyes, Esqs. were appointed a committee to make a plan of jail-house and prison and estimate the probable expense and receive proposals for building the same and report next term.

October term. Hannibal Hamlin was appointed Crier during the pleasure of the Court. Jesse Cummings gave a deed to the county, of two acres of land, for county buildings. The consideration for said deed was one dollar. The county at this term made an appropriation of $1,000 for building a jail. The estimate for county expenses for this year was as follows:—

Justices' bills	$ 240
Grand Jurors for one year	150
Petit Jurors	90
Criminal prosecutions	30
Coroners	30
Sheriff and deputies at courts	50
Clerk of Courts	15
Constables, serving venires	15
Commissioners on highways	200
Contingents	240
Building Jail	1000

Committee reported plan of jail and estimated on same at $2,000.

It appears from the county records that the jail was erected during the ensuing year, as at September term, 1806, Ichabod Bonney, Eben Rice and Dominicus Record, esqs., were a committee to inspect jail. There was evidently considerable controversy relative to the location of the county buildings, as several committees were appointed for said purpose at different times. Finally a committee of five prominent citizens living in different parts of the county, were appointed to select a disinterested committee to locate the county buildings, and the Hons. Geo. Thacher, Stephen Longfellow and David Cobb were appointed said committee. The new jail was accepted and the limits of the jail yard established, viz: two miles square, or one mile each way from the jail building. It was customary at this time, so the writer is credibly informed, for prisoners to be temporarily in the keeping of farmers living within one mile of the jail, who boarded the prisoners and employed them at various kinds of work.

At May term, 1807, it appears that the matter of location of the county buildings was still unsettled, and Hons. Luther Cary and Judah Dana were appointed a committee to wait on a Legislative committee to locate county buildings. The jail was accepted till next term.

At March term, 1813, a committee was appointed to build a Court-house. Jonathan Bemis was the contractor to build the same, which was finished and ready for occupancy at June term, 1815, when the records of the various county officers were removed to county buildings.

The first jail was constructed of wood, the walls composed of large, square sticks of hewn timber, fastened by stout rods of iron, near together, to prevent prisoners cutting their way out of jail. It was destroyed by fire in December, 1821. A man named McGaw, a horse-thief was incarcerated and awaiting trial. His companion was a man named Norton, of Oxford. They kindled a fire in the grated window on the east side of the building with the evident intention of removing the bars by that means and effecting their escape. The wind, however, blew the smoke back into the room, by which they were nearly suffocated, as when the fire was discovered by the jailor and citizens, and the door of their cell opened, they were discovered with their faces at the bottom of the door, trying to get enough fresh air to retain a breath of life.

A new jail was soon under contract at an estimated cost of $5,000. Abraham and Levi Wyman were the contractors. The furnishing of the stone was estimated at $1,200; putting up work and furnishing other materials, $3,800. The work was commenced in 1822, the Wymans being allowed by the Court until the last day of October, 1823, to complete the prison.

A large portion, if not all, the stone for the building, of which the present county jail was built, was quarried at "Horse Hill," near Norway Village, and hauled thence by ox teams to Paris Hill. Horse Hill is on the easterly side of Pike's Hill, and is accessible by the road which turns off from the main road near Wm. M. Brooks' house, below Steep Falls. The locality from whence the granite was taken has ever since been known as the "Jail field," and is in the vicinity of Mr. Eben Pottle's residence. The job of splitting and hauling stone from Horse Hill was sub-let by the Wymans to Mr. Joshua Howard of Harrison, who was in his day a famous stone cutter, and was for many years employed far and near at blasting ledges in wells and stoning up the same. The venerable Judge Deering, of South Paris, recently related to the writer how he came near losing his life by an accident fifty or more years ago, while engaged in blasting a ledge in a deep well, in company with Joshua Howard.

The bills for work and other vouches now in possession of the writer reveal the names of men formerly residents of Norway and Harrison, who were engaged on said job quarrying and hauling stone and furnishing supplies for same. Of residents of the first named town are Eben Hobbs, David Gorham, Benjamin Witt, Jona. Pottle, Charles Pike, William Young, Daniel Holt, John Thomas, Zachariah Weston, Elisha Fitts, Ephraim Briggs, John Hobbs, Antipas Smith, Elijah Jordan and J. & E. Mitchell, merchants. The following named Harrison men were engaged: Joshua Howard, Jr., Almon Howard, Seth Carsley, Samuel Pitts, David Woodsum, Chas. Walker, Jr., Hiram Willard.

Some curious reminesences suggestive of the customs of our fathers, and of comparison between the present and the former times sixty odd years back, exist in the shape of bills of merchandise and accounts for labor, keeping oxen, boarding, etc., of that period. J. & E. Mitchells bill to Joshua Howard, for various articles purchased between Aug. 2d and Oct. 22, 1822, which foots up $73.58 contains 36 items for N. E. Rum in quantities from 1 gill to 10 gallons, also for brandy and other "necessaries." Old N. E. Rum was only 50 cents per gallon. That was the "good old fashioned liquor," which our modern topers, in sighing for the pure and good of the lang syne, habitually praise for its superiority to the soul and body destroying rot gut, alias Jersey lightning of the present day. Common sheeting is charged at 25 cts per yard; calico, 30 cts. (Bracketts Branch quotes 3 cts.) Corn per bushel 4-6 (75 cts); brandy per gill, 8 cts; tobacco (old twist) 25 cts; wheat 7-6 ($1.25); coffee, molasses, T. D. pipes were about the same as now.

The piece of labor sixty years ago is a refreshing study for such as believe in "cut downs." Chas. Walker, Jr.'s bill for "20 days on stone work" is $12.—60 cts per day. Other bills at same price. Wm. Young kept six oxen four days for David Woodsum for 56 cts.; also for two horses one week for Samuel Pitts 44 cts. Boarding of men was 25 cts per day, hay was worth that year in Norway $9. per ton, as per bill of David Gorham.

But few natives of the town who are old enough to recollect the incidents related above, now survive. Messrs. Luther Pike, Jona. Whitehouse, Henry Pike, Eben Pottle and possibly some others are still living in this part of the town, who well remember beyond the date of the birth of the County. G. F.

[Written for the Advertiser.]

Horse Notes.

I have thought it might be interesting to give an account of the rise and progress of the sport of trotting, from the commencement until the present time, showing the prominent part taken from time to time by Oxford Co. bred horses.

"The first time ever a horse trotted in public for a stake was in 1818, and that was against time for $1,000. The match was proposed at a Jockey Club dinner where trotting had come under discussion and the bet was that no horse could be produced which could trot a mile in three minutes. It was accepted, and the horse named at the post was 'Boston Blue,' who won cleverly and gained great renown."—*Frank Forrister "Horse of America."*

In 1819 Zuarrow, a chestnut gelding was taken from Maine to Mass. by O. D. Palmer, Waterville, and trotted a mile "just across Charleston Bridge" in 2.57.

The year 1825 brings us to what may be called the origin of authorized trotting, as in it was established the N. Y. Club, got up with a view of improving the speed of road horses by which means many horses whose speed was then in obscurity might be brought into notice and consequently their value enhanced. The first meeting was given "at the Club's course near the Jamaica Turnpike, Long Island," in May 1826. In the spring of 1835 the sport of trotting became more and more popular and there was scarcely a gentlemen in New York who did not own one or two fast horses, and matches were daily ridden or driven.

In 1836 Fanny Pullen trotted in a race over the Centreville course against Dutchman and Confidence for $1,000. The race was two-mile heats, in harness, and the betting ran very high. The race was won by Dutchman in two heats, Fanny Pullen second, time 5.17½, 5.18½. Fanny Pullen was bred by Sullivan Pullen of Anson, Me., get by Winthrop Messenger.

In 1837, Daniel D. Tompkins beat Ratler over the Centreville course three mile heats in 7.59, 8.09, which was the fastest as yet recorded. In 1838 Daniel D. Tompkins won a race of three mile heats over the Hunting Park Course, Philadelphia, beating Edwin Forrest: first heat 8.07; second heat Forrest distanced first two miles done in 5.30. This was a match for $10,000 and after winning it Tompkins challenged any horse in the world to trot him three-mile heats over the Hunting Park Course for the sum of $1,000, without finding a taker.

Daniel D. Tompkins was bred in Farmington, Me. He also was get by Winthrop Messenger. From the time Boston Blue "gained great renown" by trotting a mile inside three minutes we find continual advancement.

Winthrop Messenger or Maine Messenger or Old Winthrop as he was sometimes called was purchased in Paris, Oneida Co., New York, by Alvin Hayward of Winthrop, Me., in 1816. Those who have seen him describe him as a "large gray muscular horse in his old age white as chalk with a clumsy head but well proportioned body and legs nearly 17 hands high and weighing in ordinary flesh 1300 pounds. His form and general appearance indicated a powerful animal. He was get by Imported Messenger, a gray stallion 15¾ hands high and stoutly built, who was landed from a vessel at the foot of Market Street, Philadelphia, in May 1788. Imported Messenger was foaled in 1780, bred by John Pratt, esq., of New Market, England, where he was a successful runner winning the King's Plate in 1785 when five years old. It is said that the other horses which accompanied him on the voyage to this country had become so reduced and weak that when taken off the ship which brought them, they had to be helped and supported down the gang plank; but when it came Messenger's turn to land he with a loud neigh charged down with a colored groom on each side holding him back and dashed off up the street on a stiff trot, carrying the grooms along in spite of all their efforts to bring him to a stand still. He died January 28, 1808. Winthrop Messenger was the first Messenger horse brought into Maine. He was first owned at Winthrop by different parties when in 1829 he was purchased by John Eustis of Dixfield, Oxford Co. for $180. While in Dixfield he stood for service at $5.00, but having so little patronage he was turned out to pasture where he broke his near fore leg. This however did not incapacitate him for service in the stud although he was lame ever after. He founded a race of trotters that have no superiors in the Union. From his loins have sprung a race that all the world recognizes as among the fastest and best that this country has ever produced. The dam of Winthrop Messenger is unknown.

Trotting stood for years at 2.32, then 2.30 until 1849 Mac rose "into high notice" by trotting a mile in the unprecedented time of 2.26, and two miles 5.09, 5.10, beating such horses as Lady Moscow, Lady Suffolk, Jack Rossiter, Gray Eagle, and Zachary Taylor. Mac was bred by Thomas Reeves, Canton, Oxford Co., Me. He was foaled in 1843, get by Morgan Post Boy, owned by the Gen. John M. Eustis of Dixfield, Oxford Co., Me., who as I have said once owned Winthrop Messenger. Mac's dam was a large powerful mare and a grand-daughter of Winthrop Messenger.

Oxford Co. thirty years ago was the leading Co. in the State in high bred horses, but has lost much since that time by selling the best and fastest mares and breeding their poorer ones. But experience has been a good teacher, and our farmers have learned their mistake, and are now keeping their best mares for breeding purposes and many of our farmers are buying fine blooded mares for this purpose. Redwood and Prescott have laid a good foundation in the western part of the Co., while at Norway the eastern part has twelve standard fillies and colts and some of the gilt edge bred.

Messrs. Chas. and Henry Freeman of Norway has a barn full of horses and colts,—one Redwood colt one year old; two Black Hawk colts, one two years old, one one year old, one weanling by a son of Prescott, and a very fine chestnut filly by Harbinger, son of Almont. Harbinger is the sire of Harbell, two years old, record 2.45¾, the fastest ever made in this State by one of that age. The dam of this filly has a record 2.46 2 dam the dam of Bully Brooks 2.28.

This filly is very fine gaited and a born trotter. They talk of breeding this filly to Capt. Wedgwood (Mr. Putnam Richardson's) standard bred colt, son of Wedgwood, record 2.19; dam Capitola, 2.22½ (Capitola was bred in this Co. in the town of Hebron). This would give the produce two grandparents with record better than 2.22½ and two better than 2.46, and I doubt if in '87 there is a foal dropped in Maine who has four as fast grandparents as the one above mentioned.

Mr. Geo. Cole of Norway has recently been east and bought the noted brood mare Alice. She was sired by Ledo, son of Rysd. Hamb. and out of a sound and nice mare by a son of old Drew. She has raised five colts. The first Almon Ledo who sold for $1200 when two years old, and the others for large prices when weanlings. She is a fast mare and a regular breeder. She was sold for $1000 when five or six years old, and has shown herself to be one of the best brood mares in the State as all of her foals are natural trotters. Mr. Cole has been offered $300 for the foal which she is to drop this season when it is 4 months old.

Norway seems to be leading some of the towns in the Co. in fast bred colts. But as the town of Canton has had the honor of sending a horse under the wire in 1849 at the first clip of 2 26 and beaten all previous record of the nation at that time, Norway thinks Canton has had her share and done her part in reducing the record from 3 minutes to 2.08¾ and is now ready and we think well started in the right direction to reduce the record to 2 minutes, and if the fine breeding and early development which the Norway horsemen have already begun we may look in the early future to see some colts or horses from this town or Co. fly under the wire in 2.06¾, beating the world, as it did in 1849. The horsemen of this town believe that breeding is a science and will prove it to those who differ in less than ten years.

I am greatly indebted to Thompson's Monthly and Maine Bred Horses, and Wallace's Monthly and Trotter's Register for the valuable information in this article. DR. G. W. BROWN.

THE HOUSEKEEPER.

THE BABY'S CARE.—By the time that the multitudinous race now swarming over this continent have become welded into one homogeneous race, the average mother may have learned how to take care of her baby. As it is, we have heard a learned old physician say that a large number of the first children of young parents are sacrificed to the want of skill and knowledge in the rearing, which not only thus destroys the babies themselves, but half breaks the parents' hearts besides.

The most important item in the bringing up of babies is, of course, their feeding. And when the natural food is withheld, various have been the devices resorted to, the most favored one being to use the cream poured off from cow's milk diluted with warm water. But now it is considered that this food makes only a counterfeit article, after all, and that it is better to give a genuine thing, and that is the fresh cow's milk itself, the baby thriving on it like a little calf, while it lives under penalty of a perpetual sour stomach on the other food, if it lives at all.

Another article of faith now also is the dismissal of the long rubber or other tubes in and about nursing bottles, and a resort to a simple flat bottle with a small silver or rubber mouth-piece, a mouth-piece that can be cleaned thoroughly, and that has no long hollow course to be clogged with infinitesimal particles of soured substance, one day to work the woe of cholera infantum on the little victim.

Nor any longer are mothers to think they do not do their duty if they do not take up their babies and fill their stomachs every time they cry; but now the babies must have regular seasons for their meals, with intervals of two or three hours, fixed as the time may be. Let them cry never so bitterly between whiles, it is understood to be a pin or some other enemy, but not hunger, that disturbs them. And in addition it has been discovered that babies, like the rest of the world, are capable of a torturing thirst, and they are to be given water to drink, as much as cools their little inflamed mouths, and with a frequency that would have made the old-time nurse leave the house without warning.

The word, moreover, has gone out against the tight swaddling-bands of our grandmothers' and even of our mothers day. It is held that innumerable colics and griping pains are made by the tight pressure of the flannel bands about the tender body, which really also occasion too much warmth, and which the old-time nurse thought good for nothing if not bound with a grip of iron about the little bowels, as if they would fall to pieces but for its maintaining strength. Many a rupture in later life, it is now thought, can be traced to the use of this heathen implement, which, if it is not yet abolished altogether, is treated in a very different fashion, being more frequently knitted of soft elastic wools than stitched in stout flannels, and allowed to give warmth and not expected to yield support.

The long skirts, too, are going the way of the old fashions, in the hands of those mothers who are more careful of their babies than of their vanities, and it is no longer demanded of the tiny limbs that they shall uphold all that hanging weight of embroidered flannels and tucked cambrics and wrought work—poor little limbs that have often been still further maltreated by never being allowed temporarily to support the weight of the child until they are suddenly called upon to do so when the child has become so heavy as almost surely to bend them by the weight. Nowadays the petticoats are shortened very early, and the baby was never found less lovely or less able to rule the house in its pretty shoes and stockings than in its cloud of draperies.

If, under all the improvements of domestic science, the modern baby does not develop into a superior sort of being, and lead the race up to healthier levels, with sounder bodies, then there is small use in any effort. It is true that the effort thus made has only been made in order to save the babies, and not with the idea of making them any more perfect than were the babies of the past generations. But generally, as they are only to be saved by making them healthy and perfect, the presumption is that their improvement means absolute improvement of the whole race with them as time goes on. Still, no mother is watching every breath her baby draws for the sake of future babies and mothers yet to come. Mothers are thankful for the knowledge of how to take care of their babies increased for the sake of the babies themselves simply, and that the little things may have their fair chance in the world. To each of them her own baby is already perfection; nothing was ever so dear and sweet; nothing ever can be again; other mothers are to be pitied, for their babies are poor shadows of babies beside this miracle of hers.—*Bazaar.*

We cannot deny that there are cough mixtures which are injurious because they contain opium. But Red Star Cough Cure has no dangerous ingredients. It is prompt, safe and sure; only twenty-five cents a bottle.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

KEEPING TWELVE COWS ON TEN ACRES.—One of the most succesful dairymen of this country, Mr. Hiram Smith, of Sheboygan Falls, Wis., keeps 100 cows on 200 acres of land feeding them from the products of the farm. He purchases extra food, but it is paid for by feeding skim milk to pigs and selling the pork. He stalls his cows as well as pasturing them, and keeps them in warm quarters, thus inducing the flow of milk for 11 months from each cow. Aiming to keep the largest number on the smallest space with profit, he gives the *Prairie Farmer* his method by which ten acres may be made to support 12 cows.

If the land is in good cultivation he suggests that the ten acres be divided into five two-acre lots, one of which should be fenced off for permanent buildings, yards and pasture. Two acres should be devoted, one half to German millet (seed with clover), and half to winter rye, for early soiling from the 25th of May until the 20th of June. When the crop of rye is removed sow to millet, and seed down to clover with a little timothy seed added. The two acres to remain in meadow and for soiling two years, so that in the second year the land will become filled with clover roots, which makes an excellent fertilizer for the large, sweet fodder corn, two acres of which will produce, if the work is properly done, sixty-two tons of green feed. The green feed should be run through a feed cutter whether green or dry. The two acres of corn, with four acres of meadow cut twice, and two acres of millet and rye, will be sufficient fodder for twelve Jersey grade cows. This alludes to the green food they will eat, with probably a surplus for winter. As green food alone is not a sufficient ration, there should be given to each cow daily, four pounds of wheat middlings in summer, and four pounds of bran with four pounds of corn meal in winter, provided one half the cows come into milk from October to January, the coming in of the other half being distributed through the balance of the year. Though winter is the season when prices are usually highest, food under the soiling system is, of course, more available in summer.

Regarding the manure, it should be taken daily from the stables in the winter season and spread upon the land designed for corn, while during the summer it should be composted and spread upon the meadows after the second cutting. In arranging the ten acres two acres are allowed for buildings and permanent pasture, two for German millet and winter rye, two for clover meadow (which should give two crops in one year), two for fodder corn, and the remaining two also to be in clover meadow. The estimated weight of the green stuff grown will provide 58 pounds of green food daily to each cow for 365 days, but it will be necessary to purchase 13 1-4 tons of ground grain, which would require ten acres for its production.

It will be noticed that, although the method arranged for growing enough green fodder on ten acres for twelve cows may be put in practice, yet the fact that the grain must be purchased compels the use of twenty acres for twelve cows. But admitting such to be a fact, it is not every farmer who makes twenty acres support twelve cows. The writer of the above, by keeping 100 cows on the product of 200 acres, has solved the problem of supporting a cow on two acres, which has often been discussed, and the plan recommended, coming from one who has been so successful, is worthy of consideration.—*Philadelphia Record.*

CHEESE AS FOOD.—The following sensible article appeared in the *N. Y. Tribune*, over the signature of Prof. L. B. Arnold:—

It is not a well balanced food for a sole diet. It is too nitrogenous. It contains more protein or flesh-forming matter, for the respiratory matter that goes with it, that can be made use of, and this after a time would become burdensome. The same is true of lean meat, which closely resembles cheese in its constituents, only the per cent. of protein in cheese is much greater than in meat. If one were to live on cheese alone, his health would sooner or later give way, and the same would be true with an attempt to live exclusively on any other single food; but one might live longer on some others than on cheese. It does not follow from this that cheese or any food is not wholesome, when used with those which contain what is lacking in it. When properly made and cured, and used in connection with foods abounding in sugar and starch to balance its excess of caseine, cheese is just as wholesome as any other article of diet; but its highly concentrated richness makes it necessary that, in any connection, it should be used sparingly.

As an article of human food, cheese is further affected from robbing the milk of which it is made of a part or all of the fat which belongs to caseine. Milk in its best estate has not fat and heat-producing matter enough to go with its curd. Cheese lacks still more in heat producing constituents because the sugar of milk is necessarily dropped out in converting milk into cheese, leaving it with only the fat for keeping up animal heat. If now the fat is taken away, the remainder will be a still more one sided food than before. It will be little else than pure caseine. It becomes more difficult to balance with other food, more difficult to make and cure, more difficult to digest, and hence less wholesome. The caseine and skim cheese seldom cures into a mellow and soluble food. It rather dries down and becomes dried curd, which digests so slowly and imperfectly as to affect its wholesomeness and occasion great waste, as well as to make it objectionable in flavor. These defects vary very much in intensity, but to the extent of their existence militate against cheese as food.

There is one other peculiarity connected with the use of cheese which has an important bearing upon its food value and wholesomeness. Reference is now made to the state of curing when it goes into consumption. The curd of milk when newly formed is insoluble in water and digests in the human stomach with great difficulty. As the curd cures into cheese, it becomes more and more soluble and digestible, and when thoroughly cured the entire substance becomes digestible and is readily available for food, making an old and fully ripe cheese much richer and more nutritious than an uncured one. A cheese of average quality and ripeness at thirty days old has only about half of its nutritive matter digestible. The difference between old and new cheese in richness and food value is readily measured by the relative quantity of each which people instinctively use, the appetite being satisfied with a much smaller quantity of old than new.

Tests of digestibility in the laboratory correspond very closely with common experience in the use of cheese, making it a pretty clear case that the waste of nutriment from crowding cheese into consumption, before properly cured, is simply enormous. If cheese were made to cure a little slower, and not allowed to go into consumption till well cured, its value as food would be doubled, and its wholesomeness greatly improved, for it is its green and indigestible condition, rather than anything in its necessary composition, that is the chief cause of objections made against it on the score of health. It must be evident that it does not comport with the welfare of consumers or the interests of dairymen to crowd upon the public cheese or other products in a condition unfavorable to health or usefulness. There may be a temporary gain, but the bad name it inflicts will react in the end.

Deferred from last week.

WEST POLAND.

Sprague Keene is at his father's very sick of dropsy.

Several families are sick with the measles. The prospect is that they will go through the town.

It is talked that several cottage houses will be built on Megguire's Island the coming season. This beautiful and romantic spot is destined to become a very popular summer resort in the near future.

Mrs. Rose Crooker, of Portland, is visiting at her mother's, Mrs. Hannah Snell.

Edwin Emery has a Redwood colt, one year old last June, that weighs over one thousand pounds and is well broken to the harness. Also another six months old, out of the same dam, sired by Glenarm, that is fully equal of his age.

Bert Fernald has one hundred and twenty-five hens, mostly of the Plymouth Rock breed. His hen house is one of the most improved patterns, divided into five sections. His hens are fed daily on fresh fish, which are bought for one dollar per barrel. Last year he kept one hundred which paid him a trifle over one dollar per head, aside from all expense. He also has a fine pair of Hereford steers, twenty months old, that girt six feet and are a perfect match.

The new hall is well patronized and seems to be paying well. M. T.

GREENWOOD.

It is said by some of our neighbors that we have had a cold winter. But I have not seen but two or three cold days. Friday night was the coldest in my house for the winter, although the thermometer did not indicate so cold by ten degrees. It commenced to snow last Thursday, and snowed all night; snowed and blowed all day Friday and blowing a gale Saturday morning. The drifts are the highest I ever had around my buildings, and blowing a gale; the drifts so high you have to look twice to see the tops of them.

John Small and Ed. Pike are cutting ice from our city pond eighteen inches thick for dairy purposes.

School closed last Friday in this district, No. 2, with the expectation of an exhibition, but the storm prevented. Rev. Seth Benson teacher.

Gilbert Yates' wife is improving slowly.

Mrs. Cyrus Small is sick with pneumonia.

March 1st, 7 degrees below zero in the morning, at 3 o'clock, p. m., 3 below. March 2d, blowing all day and the snow flying. JOHN.

HEBRON.

Dea. Moody has been confined to his house for the last month. He has the wishes of the community for a speedy recovery to health and strength.

Owing to the storm no mail reached our place for a number of days after Friday night and even Friday's would not have reached here had it not been for the pluck and courage of our mail carrier, Mr. Bearce, who went to Minot on snow shoes and brought the mail bag through the fearful storm.

A meeting was held Sunday in the chapel. Prof. Sargent read a sermon.

The students held their lyceum March 10th. G. M.

SOUTH BETHEL.

The following is the farther particulars about the railroad accident that occurred here Monday of last week: A winged snow plow with two engines and two saloon cars were clearing the track. When at the crossing the plow was thrown from the track with such force as to turn it over the engine and upside down. It contained eight men; three escaped unharmed, one received slight bruises, one injured about the head and three received severe injuries. One has since died. A man was seat at once up the track to flag the passenger train which was perhaps ten minutes behind. The injured were taken from the wreck and carried into the house of Ithiel Kenerson. Fortunately a physician was in the passenger train, and the poor men were cared for as well as possible. In the course of an hour three were taken on beds and carried to the passenger train and thence back to Bethel to the hotel. Much credit is due the family of Mr. Kennerson for their kindness. Mrs. K. was sick at the time and left her bed to assist in dressing the wounds of the injured. One engine was demolished, and the track was not cleared until seven o'clock, p. m.

WELCHVILLE.

The legal voters of Oxford assembled at the Town House on Monday of last week at 10 o'clock, a. m. to choose officers for the ensuing year and transact other necessary business. Owing to the prevailing gale and consequent bad condition of the roads, it was almost impossible for the voters living at a distance from the Town House to get there. The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, E. Edwards. A. S. Fuller was chosen moderator and J. H. Murdock clerk. After considerable debate on the question of adjournment, the meeting was adjourned for two weeks.

The mill at this place is running rather slack on account of ice in the river, which backs the water up so as to affect the speed.

The assembly of Knights of Labor here are going to put up a building for a store and hall next spring. HAMILTON.

WEST PARIS.

The famous Jersey bull calf ordered by S. B. Locke, esq., of Mrs. E. M. Jones of Brockville, Canada, some weeks ago has arrived by express and has created considerable interest among our citizens and farmers. Mr. Locke bought this calf wholly on Mrs. Jones' letter of recommendation, sending his check with his order for the calf for four hundred dollars. This young bull, Favorite's Pride recorded in A. J. C. C., was sired by Riotus Pride of whom a correspondent in the Country Gentleman says is the best Jersey bull he ever saw. Riotus Pride was sired by Stake Pogis 3d the sire of Mary Ann of St. Lambert. The dam of this young bull Favorite's Pride has taken four first premiums over a large number of Jersey competitors on exhibition at different Colonial fairs in Canada and has no less than twelve ancestors who appear in the near pedigree of Hazens Bess, 7329, whose official butter test was twenty-four pounds and eleven ounces of butter in 7 days. This young bull Favorite's Pride is fifty per cent. of the blood of Mary Ann of St. Lambert, whose official butter test was 36 pounds and 12½ ounces in 7 days, and 867 lbs. and 14¾ ounces of butter in 11 months and 5 days. This young bull is a solid light fawn, dark points and is a wonderfully fine and handsome calf, large and vigorous and of great style. The dam of this calf was sired by Rival, an imported bull and a great prize winner. Mrs. Jones has one of the finest bred Jersey herds on this continent and by close application to her business and with a well earned reputation of square dealing and honesty commands the respects and confidence of Jersey farmers and breeders all over the continent. Mr. Locke felt as safe to buy on her letter of recommendation and send his money, four hundred dollars, to a stranger he never saw as he would to have seen the calf before purchase. Mr. Locke expresses himself highly pleased and says the calf was fully equal to the recommendation and better than he expected, so much for honest and square dealing.

The 12 inches of snow of Thursday afternoon and Friday night has been piled into huge drifts by the terrific gale of the last five days. Saturday morning we came near having a severe conflagration. The hotel caught on fire from the burning out of the chimney and but for its timely discovery and prompt and energetic efforts of the many boarders and citizens the hotel would have been burned with the business portion of our village.

The following are further particulars concerning the railroad accident, Monday afternoon Nathaniel D. Martin of Portland was killed two miles west of Bryant's Pond by the tipping over of engine 312 that was pushing a snow plow. The company's physicians, Dr. Yates and Packard of West Paris were telegraphed for to be in readiness to go on a special engine sent for them to take them to the place of accident. When they arrived they found fireman, N. D. Martin, suffering excruciating pain in his stomach and back. After giving him relief he was taken to the hotel at Bryant's Pond and a close examination made of his case when a dislocation of the spine and hip was found and total paralysis below the injury. He died a few hours after getting him to the hotel. An autopsy upon the body revealed severe internal injuries with hemmorrhage before death. An inquest was held by Coroner E. B. Goddard of Bethel Hill. Verdict of the jury was that the fireman N. D. Martin came to his death by the accidental tipping over of the engine 312 March 1, 1886, and no blame is attached to any corporation or person.

Daniel Young, one of our aged citizens is very sick at his daughter's, Mrs. Charles Dunham's. JNO.

PORTER.

The *Record* says: There is an excitement in this place over the attempt to poison Capt. French's horse. As yet, there is no clue to the miscreant who did it, but we hope it will soon come to light, and that those who would commit so mean and dastardly an act may be brought to justice. A term in state prison may do them good. It was done by mixing Paris green with apples and oats, and putting them in the horse crib.

Porter has reduced its debt $642.50 the past year.

OXFORD.

Albert Pike recently cut, split and piled up a cord of hard wood in two hours.

A week ago last Sunday we had 5 in. of snow. Four miles to the west in Otisfield 14 inches fell, two miles farther it was 16 inches deep. If it had kept on in the same ratio New Hampshire must be a goner.

Bert Davis caught two black bass weighing 8 pounds in Hogan pond. Bass get into logs and under rubbish in the winter, sleeping some as bears do. It is rare one is caught through the ice.

The Rev. John Moore is lecturing here on Geology and Ancient Egypt.

John Robinson has purchased a fine 2 year old colt. He purchased one of "Dec" Andrews and sold him to George Houghton inside of one hour. It was a beauty. Benj. J. Flood is training him.

Wedding at Fryeburg.

At Fryeburg, last Wednesday forenoon Miss Cassie M. Hutchins, the pretty and accomplished daughter of Mrs. Eunice Hutchins, was united in marriage to Mr. Harold B. Wood, of Jamestown, D. T. The Rev. Dr. J. K. Mason officiated. About forty of the relatives and friends of the bride and groom were present, including Judge A. H. Walker and wife of Bridgton, Edward C. Walker and Miss Alice M. Wood, of Lovell, Mr. John Walker and wife, Miss Kate Locke, of Bethel, Daniel W. True and wife of Lovell, Mrs. Ammie Cutter of Anoka, Minn., Miss Carrie Walker and Mrs Otis True of Lovell, Mrs. A. H. Harriman of Sandwich, N. H. The bride was dressed in white satin, and made a charming picture as she took upon herself the marriage vows. The presents were many and valuable, including a set of silver ice-cream spoons, silver berry spoon, sugar spoon, pie knife, silver card case, a diamond pin and eighty dollars in cash. The bride's trousseau is rich and tasty. It includes a brocade silk garment, ecru satin reception dress with irridescent trimming, homespun brown flannel traveling dress trimmed with side plaiting, light velvet traveling bonnet trimmed with pink down, dress bonnet trimmed with pale blue satin ribbon, morning dress light shade ecru, trimmed with garnet velvet, black satin dress with bonnet to match, etc.

After the ceremony the company partook of a fine wedding breakfast. The newly wedded pair left on the afternoon train for Portland, whence they will go to New York, Chicago and St. Paul, on a wedding tour. Mr. Wood, the fortunate groom, is a son of Mrs. Judge Walker of Bridgton, and is a young man of ability and pleasing social qualities. The best wishes of hosts of friends follow the new couple on life's journey, begun under such flattering auspices.

NEWS ITEMS.

The weavers returned to work in the Amoskeag mills March 4th. The Knights of Labor refused to have any thing to do with the matter.

The Greatest Medical Discovery is "L. F." Atwood's Bitters, which has relieved a vast multitude of people. Ask for "L. F."

The G. A. R. of Mechanic Falls are raising money for a soldiers' monument. They recently held a fair.

"I am selling your rheumatism and neuralgia cure—Athlophoros, and it is doing lots of good. The sales are increasing," Druggist George F. Smith writes in an encouraging strain from Searsport, Maine, concerning Athlophoros' good work in Maine.

The East Street Champion Reaper Works at Springfield, Ohio, one of the largest establishments of the kind in the world, has discharged all members of the Knights of Labor in their employ, numbering about 300 men.

General Alfred H. Terry has been nominated to succeed General Hancock. He is a cousin of Rose Terry Cook.

The city of Biddeford has fared pretty well at the hands of the present Administration. George B. Goodwin has been appointed Consul at Annaberg, Germany, and his brother, Harry H. Goodwin, has been appointed to a subordinate position at the same place. Frank W. Roberts has been appointed Consul at Coaticook, Joseph H. Cate and Daniel Hooper have received appointments in the Portland Custom House, and Charles B. Harmon has been appointed United States Marshal for Maine.

The Chinese Minister has received a cable from Canton stating that the populace in China threaten to retaliate for assaults upon Chinese in this country.

James C. Matthews of Albany, N. Y., colored, is to succeed Fred Douglass as Register of Deeds of the District of Columbia.

Rev. J. W. Twort of Canton has received a call to the pastorate of the Pine St. F. B. Church, Lewiston.

Another street railroad strike at New York has been settled.

Impure Soda or Saleratus is usually of a slightly dingy white color; it may appear white examined by itself, but a comparison with Church & Co.'s Arm & Hammer Brand will show the difference.

The anti-Chinese leagues on the Pacific coast are shipping the Celestials East as rapidly as possible. The people of Arizona and New Mexico are also organizing against the hated Mongolians.

Why suffer with the Piles, when you can obtain instant relief and be permanently cured by such a simple and infallible remedy as "ANAKESIS?" Samples sent free. Address "ANAKESIS," Box 2416, New York.

Oxford County Advertiser.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1886.

[Entered as Second Class mail matter.]

R. C. Dolloff has been appointed postmaster at Rumford Center.

Should "Postmaster" let us have his legal and rightful name and P. O. address we could use some of his items.

"Good-tidings" meetings are to be held four or five nights at Mechanic Falls, beginning Sunday, March 14th. Stanford Mitchell, the well-known singer, and prominent ministers are to be present. Rev. Miss Angell speaks Sunday evening.

A New Hampshire man writing for copies of the ADVERTISER containing a report of the recent murder trial says: "I was unlucky enough once to have quite an important case in Court and Wendall S. Foss was one of the twelve men before whom it was tried; but he must have changed some since—but he has been greatly tried if they tell half the truth."

A society taking its name after the great naturalist, J. J. Audubon, has been established for the purpose of fostering an interest for the protection of wild birds from destruction for millinery, and other commercial purposes. The headquarters of the Society are at 40 Park Row, New York City. It invites the coöperation of persons in every part of the country.

The forty-first annual report of the New York Life Insurance Company, given in full elsewhere, shows a total increase of over $16,000,000, and payments to policy-holders of about $8,000,000. This is an increase in income of nearly $2,000,000, in surplus of over $3,000,000, in assets of over $7,000,000, and of insurance in force of over $30,000,000. In 1845, when the company began business, the amount of insurance written was $929,038; in 1885 it was $68,521,452. This represents a tremendous progress.

The firm of W. S. Green & Co. of Brockton, Mass., are to move their large Campello factory to Bridgton. The *Argus* says:—The people of that town have arranged to build the firm a factory and exempt it from taxation for a term of years. The removal will take place about June 1. Fifty of the firm's hands will go to the new location. The remainder, some 200 or 250, will be employed from the vicinity of Bridgton. Mr. Green offers his Brockton property for sale, as he has purchased a residence in Bridgton and intends to settle there permanently.

BOLSTER'S MILLS.

At the Otisfield town meeting holden last Monday the following board of officers was elected:—Town Clerk, Horace A. Hall; Selectmen, Jona. Wardwell, Loren T. Brett, Benjamin S. Skillings; Supervisor of Schools, George H. Greene; Collector and Constable, Stephen D. Jillson.

A temperance meeting is held here once in two weeks on Sabbath evening. C. E. Stuart as presiding officer is the right man in the right place. His zeal in the work never diminishes. At the last meeting there were select readings by L. Mabel Dorman and Dr. S. L. Weston.

Carrie E. Skillings and Gertrude Haskell are attending the High School at Spurr's Corner. FORGET-ME-NOT.

ROXBURY.

We have dug through to the outside world. We had no mail for a week. Our mail driver started out Wednesday and got through our town all right but did not go twenty rods into Mexico before he was obliged to put up his team and take the mail on his back. We can boast of our snow drifts if of nothing else. No buildings were blown down in this section. One small one was turned half around by the wind. It is very fortunate that no one was sick enough to need a physician during the terrible blow.

Roxbury town officers chosen Mar. 8:—Moderator, John Reed; Clerk, A. W. Robbins; Selectmen, H. F. McInis, John Reed, A. W. Robbins; Treasurer, S. M. Locke; Collector and Constable, W. H. Jenne; Supervisor of schools, Benjamin Boynton. NIMROD.

WATERFORD.

The following town officers were elected:—Moderator, Eugene Nelson; Town Clerk, C. L. Wilson; Selectmen, etc., A. S. Hapgood, W. T. Greene, J. A. Johnson; Treasurer, Charles A. Young; Agent, Joshua Saunders; S. S. Com., C. L. Wilson, F. C. Clark, Ward Monroe; Collector and Constable, G. M. Knight.

F. H. Morse has sold one half of the Andrew Kimball farm to Amos Chadbourne.

The buildings damaged by the blow: A. E. Dean's slaughter house was blown down; Dr. Wilson's hay barn on the Hardin place, Chas. Plummer's, Levi Millett's, J. C. Pike's and several other buildings were unroofed or had the boards blown off.

Dr. Shattuck has had several patients arrive since the storm.

School closed in Dist. No. 7 last week, Miss O. Genie Keene, teacher. The scholars not absent one-half day were Bessie and Ethel Adams.

C. D. Morse has some very nice New Welcomb oats for seed which he will sell cheap for cash. S.

BRYANT'S POND.

At the town meeting Monday the following officers were elected: Selectmen, S. L. Russ, Otis Dudley, H. H. Cushman; Town Clerk, Alden Chase; Treasurer, J. L. Bowker; School Com., Z. B. Rawson; Collector, Alden Chase. It was voted to raise for the support of schools, $800. Support of poor, $600. For roads and bridges, $2500. Town charges, $500. The motion to tax dogs was defeated, and also the motion to establish a free high school.

The exhibition at the Whitman school house on Saturday evening was well attended and all expressed themselves satisfied with the exercises. Mr. Kimball has taught a good school here and is well liked by parents and scholars. It is proposed to have another exhibition at this school house the last of this month. CLINTON.

RUMFORD FALLS.

It took three days to shovel through this district and get a team through. We had no mails from Feb. 25th until March 4th.

Major Richardson is quite smart this winter. He is out of doors when it is pleasant and says he should like to get his eye on a good fat bear or moose. He thinks it would nerve him up and make him feel younger. The Major will attend town meeting. He says he shall take an active part in the election of officers.

Capt. J. T. Hall went to Livermore to see his brother that is in feeble health, and got snow bound in the late blizzard. He arrived home safe March 5th.

A. J. Knight has begun to haul his logs to mill to be sawed into timber suitable for building, which he contemplates this spring.

Charles Wheeler split his big toe open on his left foot while chopping wood a few days ago.

Mellen Virgin is able to go out doors again. H.

NORTH PARIS.

Tuesday evening there was a very interesting entertainment at the church. The temperance operetta entitled "College Ned" in five acts was presented to a full house by home talent. Every part was well sustained. The evening's entertainment concluded with that laughable farce entitled "Nursey Chickweed." The same program will be repeated on Friday evening of this week at the church.

Evie Andrews is visiting her sister, Mrs. N. J. Cushman.

I understand there is to be a dance at Bubier Hall Tuell Dist. Tues. eve Mar. 16.

E. B. Richardson is sick with rheumatism. DICK.

BYRON.

Moderator, P. C. Witham; Clerk, H. H. Richards; Selectmen, H. H. Richards, Geo. F. Thomas, G. L. Hall; Treasurer, John E. Shaw; Supervisor, Stephen Taylor; Collector and Constable, John Houghton; Town Agent, John Houghton. H.

PARIS HILL.

Mrs. J. S. Wright is visiting Boston.

Rev. Mr. Daniels, of Boston, who has been assisting Dr. Earle in his revival services at South Paris, preached at the Baptist church Sunday.

Eliza Langley is visiting friends in Boston.

James Cummings of Turner, is visiting friends in this village.

Our murder trial and the excusing of jurors for not believing in capital punishment, has caused a little talk in regard to that mode of punishment in our midst.

Mrs. Kate Hammond is supplying the Baptist choir as a soprano in the absence of Mrs. Wright. The other members of the choir are Mrs. Chandler Garland, contralto, Loren B. Merrill, basso, and Chas. E. Waterman, tenor. Belle M. Garland is organist.

Mrs. Avis Bowker, formerly of this village, died in Lewiston February 27th. She leaves four children, two sons—Albert, connected with "Blue" store in Lewiston, Everett, a former drug clerk of Dr. Holden's in South Paris,—and two daughters, Mary and Anna.

At the adjourned town meeting Monday, A. T. C. King was moderator; S. E. Newell was elected clerk; George H. Briggs, first selectman, Charles Edwards, second selectman, and G. C. Pratt, third selectman; N. D. Bolster, treasurer; Horatio Woodbury, member of superintending school committee; D. C. Cushman, auditor; and John Black, collector. Town voted to raise $2,377 for support of schools; $1,500 for support of poor and other town charges; $1,000 money and $5,000 labor for highway. Town appointed a committee of seven to investigate as to the advisability of rebuilding on poor farm, or purchasing a new farm, or supporting paupers some other way, to report at some future time. An error was discovered in town report, whereby Collector Black was credited with having some $1400 more of the town's money in his hands than he actually had, making the town debt that much larger. Town voted to accept selectmen's report with clerical errors corrected. It has been the custom, heretofore, of the town to have the warrant for town meeting printed in report, but this was omitted this year; town voted to have warrant printed next year, either in selectmen's report or separately. Among the trusts of the town is what is known as the Crocker fund, left by the late Thomas Crocker for the support of the worthy poor. Town voted to have a report of this fund incorporated into the annual town report next year.

Charles O. Libby, a graduate of Perkins Institue for the blind, gave an entertainment at the Baptist vestry Monday night.

Augusta M. Swift, a former compositor in the *Democrat* office, is publishing a monthly paper at Lewiston for young people, entitled *Growing Pines*.

WEST BETHEL.

During the last heavy wind blow the barn belonging to H. W. French was relieved of a portion of its roof but has since been repaired.

Mrs. A. S. Bean has been pretty sick with lung trouble but is now some better.

Joseph Chaplin has moved into one of Mr. Bean's rents and is now at work in the mill.

Seth Wight lost a very nice cow last week. The cause of her death was thought to be stoppage. This is the second cow he has lost within a few months.

A private school is now in progress with Minnie E. Wheeler, teacher. Miss W. is a nice teacher and a good school is anticipated.

During the blizzard and blockade of snow W. D. Mills and two other men went after the doctor to attend sickness in the family of Mr. Mills and returned with him in less than two hours by hauling him over two miles on a hand sled.

Lyman Abbott is sick with rheumatism.

Mrs. Lewis Wheeler has been to Canada on a visit to her father, who has been very sick.

Charles Merrill has just made a nice sleigh for Dexter Mills.

Fred Ordway is to be the school agent in district No. 6 Gilead for year 1886. Fred is a good fellow and no doubt will do his best for the interest of the district during his term of office. S. W. P.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Mark Swan lost a very good horse the other night by being kicked in the stable by his mate. Its leg was broken. It had to be killed.

George Cole, who lost his wife recently, has broken up keeping house and gone to the Mount Abram House to board.

The G. T. R. R. was so blockaded with snow there were fifty-two men put on to it to shovel it out. They all took dinner at the Mount Abram House March 4.

I. C. Ridlon of Mount Abram House has been fitting up his office in good shape. He has put in a very tasty show case to keep his cigars in and made other improvements. Mr. Ridlon has a good run of custom this winter and is doing a good business.

The Cummings Bro. are doing good business in their saw mill at Shadagee, sawing birch into spool strips. They have two double horse teams hauling the strips to Tebbetts M'f'g Co. at Locke's Mills. Also the saw mill at Locke's Mills is sawing birch into spool strips every day with a crew of six or eight hands.

E. E. Rand has filled his ice house with a good quality of ice twenty-one inches thick.

The inhabitants of the town of Greenwood met at Woodsum's Hall Monday, March 1st and chose Wm. Richardson, Moderator, and A. C. Libby, Clerk. As there were but few out we adjourned to Monday, 8th of March, when we proceeded to finish up the business by the choice of E. E. Rand, Michel Harrington and E. L. Tibbetts, Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the poor; Treasurer, J. G. Coffin; Town Agent, E. L. Tibbetts; Supervisor of Schools, Michel Harrington; Collector of taxes, Abner D. Bryant, who collects for 3 cts. on the dollar; Constables, Abner D. Bryant, Richard L. Cole, Wm. Richardson and John W. Whitman. We also raised $700 for support of schools, for support of poor and other town charges; $1000 for building roads and bridges to be in labor and material; $2500 to pay Int. on town bonds; $1270 to pay principal on debt; $1000 which with what money is now in the hands of Treasurer and Collector will give us about $4500 to take up a few of the outstanding bonds. We voted to issue new bonds at a less rate of interest and left it in the hands of a committee to attend to it. We are in hopes to reduce our town debt from $17,900 to about $13,000 or $14,000 within the present year. On the whole we think this town is doing very well at present and with right management for a few years we shall wipe out the debt in full.

Preaching at the New church last Sabbath by Rev. Mr. Goodwin of Bryant's Pond. B.

WELCHVILLE.

There is some feeling and a full meeting is expected at next Monday's Town Meeting. Among the articles to be acted upon are the following:—To see if the poll tax shall be reduced to $2.00, it now being $3.00; to see if the town farm shall be sold, there being but one inmate now on it; to see if dogs shall be taxed; to see if a road-machine shall be purchased, etc.

The woolen mills have been receiving a large lot of wool. Both mills are now making all wool goods.

Robert Thomas has sold his pine timber to King & Holmes. Chas. Davis is now hauling it to the landing below this village.

EAST ANDOVER.

Fred Nash is working for E. E. Merrill.

G. W. Philbrick is hauling hemlock logs to the saw mill.

The roads are once more in good condition.

O. A. Merrill has returned from the Lakes and will go to Lisbon the first of the week.

School on Farmer's hill closes Saturday with a school lyceum. S.

NORWAY LAKE.

A very pleasant party assembled at the residence of J. L. Partridge on Saturday evening last at 8 o'clock to witness the marriage of his daughter Jessie to Dr. Elmon J. Noyes. The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. Alex. Wiswall of the Congregational Church. The bride was attired in a handsome suit of white. Many presents showed the esteem in which the bride and groom are held. May pleasant days and good fortune attend them through the journey of life.

Dr. W. L. Gatchell and wife of Brownfield and Dr. J. L. Bennett and Mrs. Marion F. Wentworth, wife of the slain man, took dinner at J. F. Bradbury's last week on their return from Court where they had been summoned as witnesses at the trial of Wendall S. Foss.

Hiram Hathaway returned from Boston on Tuesday where he has been treated for cancerous lip.

We with many others would like to see the vote of the candidates for town officers printed in the ADVERTISER.

Surveyor Partridge with a crew of men have been shoveling snow for 12 days.

The Norway Lake correspondent of another paper ought not to misrepresent things. He says a small vote was polled because the voters could not get out. The facts are that a very large vote was cast and had the going and weather been good the result would have been the same only more so.

NORTH RUMFORD.

We cannot report much serious damage here from the storm. It drifted where it never drifted before and to a great depth. Some districts shoveled on the highway four days, a thing never before known in this place. The gale blew in a window in G. R. Hodgdon's sheep shed and blew off about ½ of the roof, blowing it some fifteen rods. Fred Hodgdon while watering the horse, during the blow, had his shoulder dislocated by the horse flying back on the halter; but before a physician arrived, he with some help had got it into place again. The school in dist. No. 5 was unable to progress for five days. Fences were scattered promiscuously where one would never think of putting a fence or looking for one. Houses were drifted over so that people had to climb out of the chamber windows, and windows were so banked in places that lights had to be burned in the daytime. Those folks who have to drive their cattle to brooks and rivers for water, will probably before another winter try and get that old aqueduct to running again. We know of one man whose cattle had no water from Thursday morning till Saturday night and only one or two fodderings of hay. How cattle stood it through such a snap as that, in that condition, is a mystery. Jonathan Silver went to the spring for water and left his shovel sticking in the snow bank and the snow drifted on it so that he had to borrow another shovel to dig out the first.

We held our town meeting the 8th. Clerk, C. M. Hutchins; Moderator, M. N. Lufkin; Selectmen, the old board, Waldo Pettengill, Fred Porter, S. L. Moody; Treas., C. W. Kimball; Supervisor, E. H. Elliot.

A lot of men were sitting round the stove in West. Stevens' store the other evening, when the fire got low and some one advised throwing in a little kerosene to start it up. It is a coal stove a heater and Mr. Stevens threw in about ½ pint of oil and left the door open and in about two minutes there was an explosion; the fire leaped out of the open door, nearly blinding Ad. Thurston, knocking over several men and setting a paper wall on fire. The concussion knocked down a number of articles in the store including a number of bottles of different articles which were smashed. Mr. Thurston was the only one who was hurt to any extent. What the result would have been if the stove had been closed none can tell, but doubtless the damage would have been greater. Probably none of the actors or viewers of that scene will ever turn kerosene into a fire again.

A Sabbath School was commenced in dist. No. 5 Sunday, the 7th.

P. O. Howard is hauling wood for the Howe sisters.

For five days we had no mail at Rumford Point—something unusual.

Chas. Goodridge has bought a colt a year old this spring. JEM KEEN.

MASON.

The steam mill in Mason shut down through the blow but they have started it again.

The snow drifted around Charles Brown's barn so that he couldn't get his cattle out doors to water for about a week.

Fletcher Bean and Charles Murphy have been repairing their barns.

The wind blew some boards off from the Greenfield Lowell barn now owned by Daniel Grover.

Martin Stowell's team have broke into the woods again.

Martin Stowell is rushing the birch in with a 4 ox team and 2 horse team.

A. S. Bean has got 6 large horses on the Caribou road hauling birch.

It is said that Capt. Ed. Bell drives the boss team on the Caribou road.

Rose Tyler is home on a visit.

I have rode over a snow drift (with a horse and sleigh) that is 25 feet deep in the main road.

I see in some orchards that the snow drifts are to the tops of the trees. The little robbins are quite thick since the blow. I saw twelve in one flock Friday.

Ervin Hutchinson has gone to Norway to work for Rufus Morrill.

H. Hutchinson and wife have gone to Waterford to visit their friends. FLORENCE M. L.

GRAFTON.

Roads were drifted through Grafton Notch so badly the stage lost three regular trips, something that has not occurred for a number of years before. Teams were taken from the logging woods and put on to the main road to break out the roads. It was so bad town meeting was adjourned until March 8.

Gilbert Files is home out of the woods sick with rheumatic trouble.

Mr. Bean from Berlin who broke his leg in the woods in Spaulding's crew, is at E. P. Brown's. His wife came to care for him. He is gaining. There are a number of teams and crews in the woods in Grafton now.

Georgia Abbott is poorly still, can't sit up any but hope she will be better soon. She has been quite sick all winter.

WEST STONEHAM.

Mrs. S. Durgin has been very sick for some time but hopes are entertained of her recovery. Frank Harriman and family have moved in to care for her.

Hiram McKeen and family have moved to Paris where their son Riply has bought a farm.

Amos E. McAllister has moved back on the old place.

The barn on the old Joseph McKeen place was completely demolished in the late storm. The roof of the new part of Georgia Sawyer's house was lifted and dashed to pieces. It was in the morning before the family was up. They took refuge at the neighbors. The White schoolhouse in dist. No. 3 was much shook to pieces. A number of barns had boards blown off and doors down. People from North Lovell and neighbors replaced the roof of Geo. Sawyer's house.

John and Anna Abbott, Alonzo Adams and Bertha Harriman made a flying visit to friends and relatives in this place. They are at work at the shoe factory at Norway. ANON.

EAST OTISFIELD.

E. F. Holden and wife have been spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. E. A. Holden.

Willis Smith is about to move to Mechanic Falls.

Chas. Freeman of China, Me., is stopping a few days with Frank Spiller.

T. Jackson has a lot of nice cows for sale. Any one in want of such will do well to give him a call. PERCY VERE.

BETHEL.

Allie Mason, daughter of O. H. Mason, esq., is at home on a short vacation. We understand she is to return in a few days to Franklin, Mass., where she is a teacher in one of the best schools in the country.

There was $3500 insurance on Cal Turner's buildings and furniture. He will build again this spring a cottage of the latest Swiss style, which will be both ornamental and useful. His daughter Aria is much improved and a speedy recovery is expected. Miss Harper of Errol, N. H., who has had charge of his infant child since the death of his wife, still consents to remain with the family. Col. Edwards kindly opened his doors to the family after their misfortune, and they will remain there at present.

The young man who was killed by the accident on the railroad below Locke's Mills last week, lived a few hours and was taken to Bryant's Pond. He told the doctor in attendance that if he had got to die, he wanted to send a message to his mother; the doctor told him to wait until morning, but in one half hour he was dead, so the message was never told.

It was refreshing last Sabbath to see our worthy towns-lady, Laura C. Hall, again occupying her seat at the organ in the Cong. church. We understand she is to give music lessons to those desiring her services.

We looked in on Fred Emery lately and found him busy as ever putting up goods for his customers. He keeps a greater assortment than ever, fresh meats, fish, oysters, corn, apples and a full stare of groceries, etc.

The Salvation Army is carrying all before it. There have been between 40 and 50 conversions and renewals of backsliders, and the good work goes on. The meetings are well sustained by members of the Methodist and Cong. churches, and the hall is frequently crowded. The lady who has from the first led these meetings is wearing out, and she is trying to initiate helpers from the converts. Dr. Morton occupied the platform last Sunday evening and led the meeting. May God bless the means.

Eben. Richardson & Son are driving business, all parts of their steam mill being employed. Their grist mill is running over, and you must leave your orders the day before to get what you want. They were never so driven with business before.

Rev. Mr. Hardy is on the gain. He preached a powerful sermon last Sunday from Matthew x, 32-33. "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven." Who of us confess Christ before men?

SNOW'S FALLS.

George R. Hodgdon, the Rumford juror in the late murder trial at Paris, was snow bound at this place on his way home. His valuable horse was somewhat injured while strugling in the deep snow. Mr. Hodgdon was the guest of Geo. W. Hammond for some two days, and returned home on Friday. The roads were impassable untill March 4.

Benj. N. Stone has moved with his family to Mass.

Parties from different sections have been cutting ice above the Falls, for the new butter factory at West Paris and for private use.

NORTH WATERFORD.

Ever since the giving of the apple by Eve to Adam, has man been ready to have his mouth filled by woman's nicely prepared delicacies. "The powers that be" directed that the Golden Wedding of Dea. S. C. Watson and wife should be duly celebrated. All who know Dea. W. love him for his kind, genial manner and the interest taken in everything which improves and benefits the community. He has been for a number of years quite infirm and unable to walk without his cane, and often crutches. He managed to get out to town meeting, and on his return about dark found his house had been taken possession of by the ladies, the tables loaded down with nice food, and before seven o'clock nearly one hundred had assembled per order of the ladies aforesaid. After all had been filled they were called to order and listened to brief remarks by Rev. J. S. Richards, the reading of letters from absent friends, an original poem, brief remarks by Dea. Hersey and G. W. Woodbury, to which Dea. Watson responded in a very pleasing and feeling manner for himself and wife. His little grand-daughter gave two very fine recitations. Then all joined in singing some of the old songs and tunes, of which the Dea. and wife are very fond. After congratulations we started for our homes with the benediction, "God bless the good Deacon and wife."

HEBRON.

Miss Emma Shurtleff of South Paris, is visiting the Preceptress, Miss Whitman, this week.

Hiram Everett is selling large quantities of apples to out of town parties.

A few of the Hebron people attended the services at the Baptist church at So. Paris last Sunday.

Eight of our young lady students attended the "Lightfooters" reunion at Poland last Saturday night.

It is expected that a professor in penmanship will be engaged to give a month's lessons in the near future. G. M.

MEXICO.

The town meeting passed off without any opposition. Every candidate was elected unanimously. The following officers were elected:—Moderator, L. H. Reed; Clerk, L. H. Harlow; Selectmen, 1st, S. A. Reed, 2nd G. W. Roberts, 3d F. C. Richards; Treasurer, H. W. Park; Collector, J. W. Richards; Supervisor, L. H. Harlow. COR.

WEST POLAND.

Our late snow storm was very severe here. Those who had plenty of hay, wood and eatables could laugh at the freaks of the Storm King and piling up of the snow,—but the poor, who had been trying all winter to keep the "wolf from the door" heard above the raging elements the cry of want and desolation in their humble homes.

Curtis Walker, an old resident of West Poland, died in Wisconsin a few weeks ago of pneumonia aged 69 years. He visited his friends in P. four years ago for the last time. He was a man of sterling worth and his memory will be treasured in the hearts of his many friends. When a young man he worked at Oxford Village for Dennis Hayes, who was at that time doing a large business and no doubt many who read this will remember him as a young man of correct habits and rare virtues.

Austin Towle with his two children moved from this place to Lynn, Mass., a few weeks ago. He returned the 5 inst. bringing the body of his little son Frankie 9 years old for burial beside his mother, who died one year ago.

Mrs. Rachel, wife of the late James Johnson, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. S. Keene Sunday, Mar. 7th.

Last Thurday, 4th inst. Mr. Knight, while logging on the old Poland poor farm, had his leg badly crushed by a log falling from the sled. He was taken to his home at Raymond Village Friday morning.

Colby Smith, a man 65 years old, walked from W. Poland to Otisfied 7 miles Sunday, March 1st, before the roads were broken, while many young men hardly dared to leave their fireside.

S. A. Megquire has 70 hens in his hen house, which laid in the month of Feb. 774 eggs. TWILIGHT.

A Walking Skeleton.

Mr. E. Springer, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., writes: "I was afflicted with lung fever and abscess on lungs, and reduced to *a walking Skeleton*. Got a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which did me so much good that I bought a dollar bottle. After using three bottles, found myself once more a man, completely restored to health with a hearty appetite, and a gain in flesh of 48 lbs." Call at Noyes' Drug Store and get a free trial bottle of this certain cure for all Lung Diseases. Large bottles $1.00.

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OTISFIELD.

William Ames died the 23d of February at the residence of his son, Algenon Ames. He was much respected by all who knew him. His remains were carried to Denmark for burial. He has one surviving brother, James Ames of Brownfield.

Most everybody are sick with colds.

Cyrus Knight is convalescing.

Herbert Noble's wife and daughter have returned home from So. Casco.

Joseph Scribner and his wife are feeble yet.

They had a bloody affray at Spurr's Corner the other night. A man came home drunk and beat his wife and son in a terrible manner. He threatened their lives so they ran to the neighbors for help. He broke out window sash and glass and raised cain in general. We think those who sell him cider ought to be looked after.

Randal Mains has got home from logging.

Whitfield Barrows had a slight shock one day last week.

DYSPEPSIA

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SOUTH BETHEL.

Breaking roads has been the principal business here for the past week, and yet some in the hill districts are still unopened.

The four men wounded in the snow plow wreck at this place last week, are all doing well, and have gone to their homes. The wrecking train from Gorham Sunday, gathered up the broken plow, and also the engine ditched near Locke's Mills.

We noticed several weeks since an article in the ADVERTISER relating to the accounts of the County Commissioners. We have looked ever since for a reply, and as it must have been overlooked, will you please mention the date of the paper in which it appeared. *

[No reply to the article has been received.]—Ed.

SUMNER.

Moderator, Israel A. Fletcher; Clerk, Geo. A. Chandler; Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor, S. F. Stetson, Moses D. Dow, Sam'l I. Crockett; Treasurer, Hiram B. Chandler; S. S. Committee, W. H. Eastman H. S. Coburn, A. B. Briggs, Collector of taxes, Elmer A. Frazier; Constables, Elmer A. Frazier, Chas. W. Field. Voted to raise amount required by law for support of schools, $500 for support of poor; $200 (money) roads and bridges, $3,000 (labor) for highway repairs, $1,200 for other town charges.

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BACKACHE

with all other symptoms of Kidney Disease. Her husband was called home as she was dangerously ill; he bought Brown's Sarsaparilla; she was cured by it, and is now about her house in better health than for years. The testimony of her friends is that Brown's Sarsaparilla saved her life.

MRS. C. P. BRACKETT, of Hermon, had Kidney Disease. Could not sit up but one or two hours at a time. Had a constant tired feeling and sick headache, together with the usual BACKACHE that accompanies Kidney Disease. Her husband took Brown's Sarsaparilla to her, and by its use she was cured, and can now run a sewing machine and do work about her house better than for years. Mr. Brackett says there must have been one hundred people call to see her and all agree that that famous Brown's Sarsaparilla cured her of Kidney Disease.

H. G. ROBERTS, Merchant, Abbot, Me., had Scrofula. Foot and ankle swelled so he could not walk. Gave up business. Used four bottles Brown's Sarsaparilla, was cured, and now attends to business as well as ever.

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Wanted, a suite of rooms. See ad.

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Wanted, some one to take charge of the Waterford town farm for the coming year. See ad.

The inimitable "Jersey Yankee" in Humpty Dumpty will bring down the house next Tuesday evening, Mar. 16th.

Next Sunday afternoon the Rev. Caroline Angell will preach a sermon on "The Impassable Gulf."

Stated Communication of Oxford Lodge No. 18 F. & A. M. Monday evening, Mar. 15. Work on the third degree.

A Living Hen and a Trained Pig are among the attractions in Humpty Dumpty next week.

F. Q. Elliott is reported as having a good time sojourning in Florida. His health is improving. His clothing business here is well cared for and all his old customers and new ones can be supplied with good clothes at low prices.

Fag End.

Breaking roads and shoveling snow seems to be the prevailing pastime in this place.

J. B. Haskell has commenced to ship dowels to New York. He has some sixty thousand now ready.

The East Waterford Band meets for practice every Saturday evening. They are to have Prof. Collins as an instructor. This is a young band, having been organized about a year, contains sixteen members and is hard to beat of its age.

There is talk of building a grist mill at East Waterford this coming spring.

SETH.

SOUTH PARIS.

All persons who are Freewill Baptists in the vicinity of Norway or South Paris villages are requested to signify it by dropping a card to Rev. P. Hopkins or J. F. Keith of South Paris and giving place of residence.

Rev. Dr. Earle finished his revival services in this village last week. We hear they were attended with success.

We read of the stereoptican coming into use as an auxiliary in teaching school, in illustrating geography and kindred studies. Why not use it in our village schools?

A number of trains went through this village last Sunday, to restore the freight circulation of the road, interrupted by last week's blizzard.

The town at its annual meeting Monday voted to accept the street or streets laid out from Gothic street to High street, by the selectmen last fall.

J. W. Carsley wants twenty cords of green wood at the school house.

J. A. Kenney has taken a partner into his shoe business, J. F. Plummer.

George F. Wescott, of Buffalo, New York, is visiting his father-in law, O. W. Bent, of this village. Mr. Wescott has just returned from Japan where he has been superintending the building of a large flour mill. He is a mechanical engineer and in the employ of the John T. Noye Manufacturing Company, Buffalo.

A. K. Jackson cut his foot quite severely last week, while in the woods.

Mrs. Zilpha, widow of the late Luther Whitman, jr. of Woodstock, died last week in this village at the residence of her son, Leonard Whitman, aged 85.

Measles is on the rampage again in our village.

The following officers were chosen at the annual school meeting Saturday evening: H. N. Bolster, moderator; A. C. T. King, clerk; John W. Carsley, agent; Rev. A. G. Fitz, Dr. Horatio Woodbury and Mrs. Clara Howard were appointed a committee to grade the school. It was voted to raise two hundred dollars for the support of a Free High School.

The Horse Breeders' Exchange met at the appointed time, but was forced to adjourn two weeks on account of the severe weather. The Exchange will try it again March 17 and 18.

During the recent blizzard over 500 were at the Paris House. At one dinner there were 173 persons and at another over 100 and this was followed by an order for 34 dinners in less than 15 minutes after the first table was cleared the second table was in running order. It was a busy time for Jackson and all others connected with the house.

L. W. Jackson, jr., was offered $800 for his trotting mare recently. The mare can show better than a forty clip. The party that came to buy her thinks she is the speediest horse in this vicinity.

ANDOVER.

The storm blew down a barn belonging to D. F. Adamson and rented by Frank Mitchell, who had three horses and a cow killed. O. F. Hewey, who was taking care of the cattle, was in the barn at the time of the casualty and marvelous to say by a miracle escaped being crushed by the falling building. The only injury he received was a lame shoulder and frozen face. Not a rafter was left standing and the barn was a large one, being 40x85. Mr. Mitchell, who is a hard working man with a large family, lost everything he possessed. A subscription was at once raised and generous sympathizers donated handsomely. At Frank Adam's the wind blew the roof off the barn smashing a carriage belonging to H. Abbott, also a wagon belonging to Holton Abbott and one belonging to L. Hall; at Henry Steven's it blew down the chimney and at Charles Proctor's the shingles from the roof of cow barn; At Frank Mitchell's the chimney and wood shed. The old starch mill was blown down flat.

Lambert Newton met with an accident Monday while exercising his five years old colt. He was thrown out of the sleigh but fortunately came out of it with a lame shoulder. Both of the shafts were broken. The cause of the accident was on account of two dogs which ran out of a building following and barking at the colt which scared it.

Town meeting took place Saturday and a large crowd turned out to vote. It seemed that most all showed an interest in town affairs. L. F. Jones was elected Moderator; C. E. Cushman, Town Clerk and Collector; Hiram Abbott and J. F. Talbot ran for first selectman. This was a very hard fight the former winning by two votes. B. L. Akers was voted second and E. E. Caldwell third selectmen. Josiah Bailey was voted Treasurer, for Supervisor, Mrs. T. W. Blaisdell. The following were elected to office, road commissioner, H. H. Poor; constables, H. A. Mills, A. A. West, F. Eaton and C. E. Cushman; Surveyors of lumber, wood and bark, J. L. Ripley, C. H. Marston, R. Grover, D. Richards, A. A. West, J. Caldwell, H. D. Abbott, J. F. Talbox, W. G. Cushman and F. O. Welch; Sextons, H. F. Lovejoy, H. W. Poor; Sealers of weights and measures, C. R. Meserve. The town voted to raise $700 for support of schools. Mr. Talbot made a motion to raise $200 for support of the poor; vote carried. The town voted to raise $500 for current and contingent expenses and $50 to pay interest on outstanding debts. Voted to tax musical instruments and to purchase three acres of land belonging to H. W. Poor adjoining burying ground at $50 per acre; vote carried to tax dogs $1. It was moved and seconded that the piece of land on the school house lot be sold.

HANOVER.

On the 16th of Sept. 1885, Mrs. Abby Barker, 94 years of age, presented Mrs. Philona Kimball with a bouquet of flowers and on the 28th of Feb. 1886 received three varieties of flowers in full bloom, which Mrs. K. had grown from slips taken from the bouquet. Mrs. Kimball though long an invalid is notedly skillful in the culture of flowers.

The Sabbath School concert is to come off next Saturday eve unless we have another weather preventative.

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Anson Hayford from Albany, has gone to work for Smith Bros.

Elmer Howe works for G. A. Virgin.

A Mr. Rowe, who lives in J. M. Brown's camp, came out last Monday to procure a warrant for the arrest of one Young, who lives in the same camp with his wife and one child and who got on his muscle last Sunday, knocked Rowe down and abused his own wife, but G. L. Smith went back with Rowe and gave Young some good advice and the arrest is delayed.

A Weak Back, with a weary, aching lameness over the hips, is a sign of diseased kidneys. Use the best kidney curative known, which is Burdock Blood Bitters.

ALBANY.

S. Lizzie Dresser has been appointed to teach the grammar department in school number five, Georgetown, Mass., for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Deacon Kimball, who has for many years been a suffering invalid passed quietly away Tuesday, aged 66 yrs. She had long been a member of the Cong. church. She will be much missed, especially by her husband, who is quite infirm.

Austin Hutchinson has about completed drawing his ash timber for shovel handles to Mr. Sanborn. Mr. H. has 15 head of young cattle in one lean-to that are worth looking at, some very choice steers, also two year-old colt very large and good points.

Lawson Mason, our oldest voter, 81 yrs. was out to our town meeting Saturday. Our meeting passed off quietly. The winds have taken the politics all out of us. Officers elected:—Clerk, Wallace B. Cummings; Selectmen, Geo. W. Beckler, John K. Wheeler, Shirley Haselton; Treasurer, J. H. Lovejoy; Agent, Gilbert Wardwell; Constable and Collector, Osgood Drew; School Committee, Shirley Haselton, Isaac Crooker, James A. Kimball. Town out of debt; raised $555 for school, $600 for support of poor and other charges, $1500 in labor on roads at 15 cts. per hour.

Lyman Johnson is visiting friends in Mass.

Herbert Bean, a boy 17 years old, shot a very nice fox last week.

H.

The snow drifted around Thomas Morrill's house so that they had to burn a light in their kitchen two days.

Elden Mills has gone into the woods cutting birch.

F. M. L.

SWEDEN.

Between thirty and forty of our people got to the town house on the 1st of Mar. and opened the annual meeting and after choosing E. P. Woodbury, Moderator, adjourned the meeting for one week. They met again agreeable to adjournment and chose, John P. Plummer, Clerk; Geo. Haskell, B. W. Nevers and Albion Nevers, Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor; Aaron Jones, Treasurer and Clarence E. Jones, Supervisor of schools. They also chose W. P. Stevens, Collector and Constable, also voted to raise $500 for maintenance of schools and $150 for support of poor. For repair of highways and bridges they voted to raise $1200.

Mrs. D. R. Smart is in New York City for a few days.

Edwin Knight has sold his poplar at the door for $2 a cord, to N. D. Smart and John Pike.

Frank Douglas has returned home from Gilead.

Drifts in the road in this vicinity 20 ft. deep and one hundred ft. long.

Moses Stuart has finished his winter's job logging.

Robins were seen in this vicinity ten days ago.

BLACK MOUNTAIN.

CANTON.

At an adjourned town meeting March 6, H. A. Ellis was chosen Moderator; H. H. Burbank, Clerk and Treasurer; A. Delano, O. F. Taylor, N. H. Campbell, Selectmen; A. L. Stanwood, Supervisor; C. H. Gilbert, A. L. Stanwood, Oscar Childs, Board of Health; A. K. Foster, S. P. Adkins, Road Commissioners; Frank E. Gibbs, Collector, 2⅛ cents on a dollar; O. F. Taylor, D. W. Woodward, R. A. Barrows, Constables.

Rev. W. S. Twort preached his farewell sermon here last Sabbath, having accepted a call to Pine St. F. B. church, Lewiston, where he will commence his labors next Sabbath. We can illy afford to part with so valuable a preacher.

The Salvation Army have held meetings in this place for the past three weeks. Both churches have united with them in the work and very good results have followed.

B.

LOVELL.

Heald & Walker sent away 6 beef oxen the first of the week and another lot went Saturday.

The wind and the drifts were about the same here as in other places.

The Keniston boys are drawing birch to the mill at Alder brook.

During the gale of last Tuesday Miss Carrie Pottle came from Fryeburg to Lovell on the stage. Being desirous of reaching home and the roads impassable for teams she started on foot and reached the house of Benjamin Russell, a distance of 3 miles. The next morning she finished her journey. That is what we call good courage.

Can Wood walk? Certainly if it becomes a Walker. And in that way the last specimen disappeared from this town on Wednesday last.

Fifty of the legal voters met at the town house on the day for our annual town meeting. J. F. Stevens was chosen moderator and C. K. Chapman, clerk pro tem. and the meeting adjourned one week. At the next meeting the following officers were chosen:—Marshall Clark, Clerk; Barnes Walker, Albert Kimball, G. M. Harriman, Selectmen; C. H. Brown, Treasurer; P. W. Charles, Supervisor; C. H. Lewis, Collector; all democrats.

C.

NORTH NEWRY.

Mrs. Caleb Barker died Feb. 28, after an illness of about three weeks.

Mrs. Mark Kilgore has been visiting in this place.

A. F. Russell has made some very pretty rustic stands for bibles. Mr. Russell has been sick over a year and is not able to go out of the house but if he is able to sit up he is so ambitious he will be doing something.

The Union Circle has a festival at C. R. Bartlett's March 15.

I. P. Kilgore has been very sick and is not out of danger yet.

"There is nothing like Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil to quickly cure a cold or relieve hoarseness." Written by Mrs. M. J. Fellows, Burr Oak, St. Joseph Co., Mich.

HIRAM.

At our annual town election the following officers were elected:—Almon Young, Moderator; W. F. Greene, Clerk; Almon Young, N. W. Adams, James Evans, Selectmen and Overseers of Poor; Charles B. Davis, Treasurer; Rev. E. P. Eastman, Supervisor; Dennis Morrill, Collector; all republicans.

No matter how far from cities you may be, you need not dread accidents or rheumatism, if you are supplied with St. Jacob's Oil.

Town Reports.

HIRAM.—Valuation $404,368. Amount assessed $4,924.38; No. of polls 310; rate $1.06 on $100; poll tax $2.00. Liabilities $8,408.02; resources $5,458.17; net debt $2,949.85. Reduction of debt the past year $150.85.

RUMFORD.—Full Valuation $284,621.00. Amount raised $7,678.08; rate 25 mills on a dollar; poll tax $2.50; No. of polls 225. School money $1,520.93; whole No. of scholars 332; rate per scholar $4.40. Poor off farm $87.66; balance against farm $181.37. Liabilities $4,840.00; resources $5,290.29, this amount includes town farm, stock and tools at $2400. consequently a net debt of $1,949.80.

PERU.—Valuation $199,777.00. Rate 2 per cent.; No. polls 174; poll tax $3.00. Amount raised $4,578.36. Balance against town farm $165.32; expense of poor off farm $108.65; town officers' bills $270.16. Liabilities $14,830.49; resources $6,571.78 —in the resources is the town farm property $2,049.11—consequently the actual debt of the town is $10,307.82.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

HARRISON.

Town meeting last Monday. The following officers were elected:—Moderator, N. H. Seavey; Clerk, H. L. Sampson; Selectmen, Joshua Howard, Moses E. Hall and Geo. E. Tarbox; Treasurer and Agent, A. K. Morse; School Committee, Rev. A. W. Taylor and Geo. S. Pitts. The latter gentleman is also to collect the taxes at .012 on a dollar and no discount is allowed.

A Beautiful Present.

The Virgin Salt Co., of New Haven, Conn., are making one of the best offers ever made in order to introduce their salt. Go ask your grocer for Virgin Salt and get a pair of Doyes beautifully lithographed in ten colors on a large card, nine by ten inches. Virgin Salt is absolutely the cleanest, purest and whitest salt ever seen or used. Put up in fancy-colored packages lined with enameled paper to prevent salt from hardening. A large package costs only 10 cts.

EAST HEBRON.

The pews in the new church are to be sold at auction Monday, March 15th, sales beginning at 9 o'clock a. m.

Sickness is prevailing to quite an extent in this community. Mss. James Fogg is very low with little hope of her recovery.

Thousands Say So.

Mr. T. W. Atkins, Girard, Kan., writes: "I never hesitate to recommend your Electric Bitters to my customers, they give entire satisfaction and are rapid sellers." Electric Bitters are the purest and best medicine known and will positively cure Kidney and Liver complaints. Purify the blood and regulate the bowels. No family can afford to be without them. They will save hundreds of dollars in doctor's bills every year. Sold at fifty cents a bottle at Noyes' Drug Store.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at Noyes' Drug Store.

OBITUARIES.

Died in Paris, Feb. 22, Welcome Kinsley, aged 74 years and 1 month. His death was sudden, being violently attacked by disease, and in about one-half hour passed away. Mr. Kinsley was a man of strong mind, and of more than ordinary business capacity. He was the son of the late Azel Kinsley of Auburn, Me. He was the youngest of 12 children, one of whom only is now living, Mrs. Joseph Hutchinson of Auburn. Of his family of three children, Mr. Kinsley leaves one daughter only to mourn his loss.

His funeral was attended at the Congregationalist Church at South Paris, Feb. 25, at 1 o'clock p. m. Service by Rev. Mr. Fitz of South Paris.

A. H.

Died in the Gore of Otisfield, on the 12th ult., John Edwards in the 96th year of his age. Deceased was a son of Wm. and Lydia (Baker) Edwards. He was born in N. H. May 11, 1790, and was brought to Maine in Feb. 1797 by his parents with oxen and sled. He settled on the east side of Pleasant Pond in Otisfield, where the old folks died some years ago. John was one of ten children and worked out considerably when a young man.

In 1819 he married Eliza Raynes and immediately settled on the Gore, where they lived over 66 years. Besides helping clear up the new country, opening roads and building, he raised two sons and two daughters. The eldest son, Solomon died at Mechanic Falls in 1878 aged 58, leaving a wife and children. The two daughters married and had families but both are now widows; while the other son, Albion married and lived with the parents and the parents with them.

Mr. Edwards was an honest, sober, industrious man and a good neighbor. As a pioneer settler he had a good knowledge and acquaintance with the early improvements of the town.

His memory was good and often would he relate incidents of 50, 60 and 70 years ago. Two weeks before he died he told of one John Skillings setting a fire in Harrison some 3 miles above Bolster's Mills in Aug. 1821, which burned over some hundreds of acres, also the bridge across Crooked River. That fall the people living near put in all the rye they pleased and raised a great quantity. The bridge that was rebuilt was called Ryefield bridge, a name that it has gone by ever since.

Some 8 years ago he received something like a slight paralytic stroke and has failed gradually since. He was able to pitch 19 loads of manure in one day when he was near 80.

His funeral was attended on the 13th when the Rev. Jared Whitman gave us an excellent sermon.

C. E. W.

BIRTHS.

In Norway, Mar. 8, to the wife of C. N. Tubbs, a son.

In Norway, Mar. 4, to the wife of Henry Brown, a son.

In Paris, Mar. 6, to the wife of Francis E. Lane, a daughter.

In South Paris, Mar. 1, to the wife of Geo. A. Briggs, a son. (Carl Skillings Briggs.)

In South Bethel, Mar. 1, to the wife of Marcus Swan, a daughter.

In Hiram, Feb. 26, to the wife of Henry W. Sargent, a son.

In East Hiram, Mar. 5, to the wife of Chas. Alexander, a daughter.

In Greenwood, Mar. 6, to the wife of John Roberts, a daughter.

In Rumford, Mar 4, to the wife of Dudley Roberts, a daughter.

In Casco, Mar. 4, to the wife of Oliver Chute, a daughter.

In Sweden, Feb. 21, to the wife of Melville Hutchins, a daughter.

In Andover, Mar. 3, to the wife of Robert Hewey, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

In Norway Lake, Feb. 6, by Rev. Alex. Wiswal, Dr. Elmon J. Noyes and Jessie F. Partridge.

In Manchester by the sea Feb. 27, by the Rev. D. T. Lawson, C. H. Hayden of Manchester, and S. Alma Pendexter of Pittsfield Me.

In Norway, Mar. 6, by Rev. O. S. Pillsbury, W. F. Smith and Annette Gould both of Otisfield.

In Paris, Mar. 6, by Rev. A. Hill, Frank S. Farnum and Lena E. Emery, both of Paris.

In Lovell, Mar 3, Edward C. Walker and Alice M. Wood, both of Lovell.

In Canton, Mar. 4, C. C. Bickell and May F. Cushman, both of Canton.

In South Paris, Feb. 24, Oscar E. Barrows and Eunice Porter, both of Paris.

DEATHS.

In Buckfield, Mar. 2, Wallace, son of John Russell.

In South Paris, Mar. 4, Mrs. Zilpha Whitman, aged 85 years.

In Lewiston, Mar., Mrs. A. E. Bowker, formerly of South Paris, aged about 59 years.

In West Poland, Mar. 7, Mrs. Rachael Johnson, aged 81 years.

In Otisfield, Feb. 22, Wm. Ames, aged about 80 years.

In Boston, Feb. 24 Mellen P. Burnham, formerly of Gilead.

In Newry, Feb. 28, Mrs. Hannah Rolf; Mar. 4, Mrs. Alice Barker.

In Harrison, Feb. 3, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Briggs.

In Harrison, Jan. 4, J. F. Boardman, aged 73 years and 8 months.

In Albany, Mar. 8, Mrs Dorcas F. Kimball, aged 66 years.

FLOWERS! Wreaths, Crosses, Pillows, Etc., Etc., for Funerals, of the Finest Fresh Flowers at Low Prices. Also Roses and other Flowers for Balls, Parties, Etc. We have made arrangements with the well-known Florists, W. E. Morton & Co., of Portland, to promptly fill all Orders. 6-1y

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NOTICE.

The Selectmen and Assessors of Norway will be in session each Saturday afternoon at their office in Norway Block. 11tf

WANTED.

A man and his wife to take charge of the Waterford town farm the coming year.

A. S. Hapgood, Wm. T. Greene, J. A. Johnson, } Overseers of Poor.

Waterford, Mar. 11, 1886. *11-12

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TO MAKE ROOM FOR OUR SPRING STOCK, EVERY ARTICLE MARKED IN RED FIGURES. THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO SAVE MONEY. DO NOT MISS IT, CALL EARLY AND EXAMINE OUR BARGAINS.

Remember the place,

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NORWAY, - - - - MAINE.

There are but a few days left for those bargains at

BRACKETT'S BRANCH,

Which they are closing out before taking stock, so all in want of

DRY AND FANCY GOODS,

Should call before they are all gone. Special sale in

Winter Dress Goods,

As we want to close them all out next week. Call and get our prices. Remember the place is

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Opp. Elm House, - - Norway, Me.

Those doing fancy work should call and look over my new stock of Silk, Floss, Chenille, Arosenes, Florasenes, Chenille Ornaments, Tassels, Gold Thread, Tinsel, Felts, Velvets, Velveteens and everything one can possibly want for fancy work. I have all the new designs for stamping. A great variety of Splashes, Troy Cloths, Slipper Cases, Laundry Bags, Tidies, &c. for out lineing. I have my new Laces for Spring, which inclupe the New Egiption, Oriental, Antique, many new Colored Patterns which are very desirable, White and Colored Torchons.

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A-L-L-E-N'-S

SPECIAL SALE OF BOOTS AND SHOES

Opp. Elm House, Norway, Me.

Ladies Kid Button Boot,	$ 1.25	former price	$ 1.50
Ladies Kid Mat Top Button Boot,	1.25	former price,	1.75
Ladies Kid Mat Top High Cut Boot,	1.65	former price,	2.00
Ladies Curacoa Kid Button Boot,	2.00	former price,	2.25
Ladies Common Sense Button Boot, Smith, Pray, m'f't.	2.25	former price,	2.50
Ladies Common Sense Button Boot, job lot,	2.00	former price,	2.50
Ladies Common Sense Glove Top, Smith Pray,	2.40	former price,	2.60
Ladies French Finish French Fly, Rumsey's,	2.50	former price,	2.75
Ladies High Cut, Florence,	3.00	former price,	3.25
Ladies Curacoa Kid, French Heel,	2.50	former price,	2.75
Ladies Imt. French Kid French Fly Silk Top,	3.00	former price,	3.25
Ladies Dangolar, job lot,	2.25	former price,	3.25
Ladies Opera Toe Boot, A. F. Smith,	2.50	former price,	2.75
Smith Pray's Langtry Boot, Fancy Tip,	2.50	former price,	2.75
Genuine Hand Sewed Curacoa Kid,	3.00	former price,	3.75
Smith Pray's Ideal Boot, N. Y. Heel,	3.00	former price,	3.25
Smith Pray's French Finish, Flexible Sole,	2.75	former price,	3.00
J. N. Smith Fine Kid Patent Reversible Heel Plate	2.50	former price,	2.75
Smith, Pray's Glove Top French Finish,	2.50	former price,	2.75
Smith, Pray's Glove Top Rink, Scallop Vamp,	3.00	former price,	3.25
Smith, Pray's Glove Top Rink,	2.75	former price,	3.00
Smith, Pray's Glove Top Rink,	2.50	former price,	2.75
J. N. Smith's French Kid Boot,	3.75	former price,	4.00
Winch Bros. French Kid Boot,	3.75	former price,	4.00
Smith, Pray's French Kid Boot,	3.75	former price,	4.00
A. F. Smith French Kid Boot,	3.75	former price,	4.00
Job Lot French Kid,			1.50 and 2.00
Smith, Pray's French Goat Skating Boot,	2.25	former price,	2.50
Fine French Goat Boot,	2.00	former price,	2.25
Oil Goat Boot,	1.75	former price,	2.00
Oil Goat Boot,	1.50	former price,	1.75
Ladies Grain Boot,	1.20	former price,	1.25
Ladies Glove Kid Work Button Hole,	1.75	former price,	1.90
Ladies Glove Kid,	1.60	former price,	1.75

I also have a large stock of Men's, Boys', Misses and Children's Boots which will be sold at reduced prices to make room for spring goods which I am daily receiving.

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FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

BUSINESS OF 1885.

Income,	$16,121,172.74
Paid Policy-holders,	7,681,873.75
New Policies Issued,	18,566
New Insurance Written,	$68,521,452.00

CONDITION JAN. 1, 1886.

Cash Assets	$66,864,321,32
Liabilities,	59,799,848.19
Surplus, Company's Standard	7,064,473.13
" N. Y. State Standard	13,225,053.94

PROGRESS IN 1885.

Excess of interest over death-losses	$399 960.07
Increase in income	1.880 697.35
Increase in surplus. State standard	3 313.707.48
Increase in assets	7.580.567.75
Increase in insurance written	7 036.902 00
Increase in insurance in force	30.291,914.00

WILLIAM H. BEERS, PRESIDENT.
HENRY TUCK, VICE-PRESIDENT.
ARCHIBALD H. WELCH, 2D VICE-PRES.
RUFUS W. WEEKS, ACTUARY.
THEODORE M. BANTA, Cashier.
D. O'DELL, Supt. of Agencies.
A. HUNTINGTON, M. D. Medical Director.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH OFFICE,
RIALTO BUILDING,
Cor. Milk and Devonshire Streets,
BOSTON, MASS.
BEN. S. CALEF,
MANAGER.
W. H. Anderson,
General Agent for Maine.
First Nat. Bank Building, Portland, Me.
Freeland Howe, Agent, Norway, Me.

REPORT

of the condition of the NORWAY NATIONAL BANK (No. 1956.) at Norway, in the State of Maine, at the close of business, March 1, 1886.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts,	$137,406.05
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.	50,000.00
Other stocks bonds, and mortgages,	1,090.00
Due from approved reserved agents,	4 527.43
Due from other National Banks.	8.181.08
Real Estate, Furniture and fixtures,	3,286.00
Current expenses and taxes paid,	707.84
Premiums paid,	10,400.00
Checks and other cash items,	1.907.32
Bills of other Banks.	1,731.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and pennies,	58.47
Specie.	3.530.00
Legal Tender Notes.	2,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer,	2 250.00
Total,	$227,095.29

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in,	$100,000.00
Surplus fund.	12 000 00
Undivided profits,	1,338.91
National Bank notes outstanding,	44,990.00
Dividends unpaid,	812.00
Individual deposits subject to check,	60.554.78
Demand certificates of deposit.	5.507.78
Due to State Banks and Bankers,	1.891.82
Total,	$227.095.29

STATE OF MAINE, County of Oxford, ss.

I, H. D. SMITH, Cashier, of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. D. SMITH, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of March, 1886. CHARLES F. WHITMAN, *Judge of the Norway Municipal Court.*

CORRECT—Attest:
H. M. BEARCE,
ALVA SHURTLEFF, } Directors.
W. H. WHITCOMB,

1885.

STATEMENT.

UNITED STATES BRANCH

—OF THE—

Lancashire Insurance Company,

Of Manchester, England, as furnished to the Superintendant of the Insurance Department of the State of New York.

ASSETS.

United States Bonds market value	$1,338,019.25
Cash in bank and in office	88.296 40
Premiums in course of collection	86.912.07
	$1,513 228.02

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding losses,	$123.460.00
Unearned premiums	711.563 06
Other Liabilities,	10.000.00
	$845 026.06
Surplus,	$668,201.96

E. LITCHFIELD, MANAGER.
GEO. PRITCHARD, SUB MANAGER.
Wm. J. Wheeler,
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Yours Truly.
F. H. NOYES.
Norway, March 12, 1886.

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DRESSMAKING,
In families, terms reasonable, address, Box 242, Norway, or call at Mrs. E. C. Shackley's. 11-tf

Statement of the Standing and Condition of the Norway Savings Bank, Norway, Me., February 25th, 1886.

ROBERT NOYES, PRESIDENT. H. M. BEARCE, TREASURER.

LIABILITIES:

Deposits,	$177,037 19
Reserve Fund,	8,000 00
Profits,	2,973 21
	$188,010 40

RESOURCES.	Par Value.	Estimated and Market Value.	Charged on Books.	
Public Funds Owned.				
State of Maine Bonds, 6s, 1889,	$200	$220	$200	
Town of Minot, (orders)	2,500	2,500	2,500	
Town of Norway, (orders)	2,400	2,400	2,400	
Town of Waterford, (orders)	840	840	840	
School District No. 7, Norway,	525	525	525	
Total Public Funds of Maine,	6 465			$6.465 00
County of Jay Ind., 6s, Gravel Road, 1887,	1.000	1,010	1.000	
City of Fort Madison, Ia., 5s Fund, 1902,	5 000	5,000	5 000	
City of La Porte, Ind., 7s, Wa., 1890,	500	535	500	
Total Public Funds out of New England,	6,500			6,500 00
Railroad Stock Owned.				
European and North American,	2,600	2,782	2,600	2,600 00
Corporation Bonds Owned.				
Paris Manufacturing Co., 3s, 1891,	100	100	100	
Akron, O., Water Co., 6s, 1900,	2 000	2,010	2 000	
Railroad Equipment Co., N. Y., 6s, 1889,	1.000	1,000	1,000	
Total Corporation Bonds,	3,100			3,100 00
Corporation Stock Owned.				
Norway Building Association,	500	500	500	
Norway Shoe Shop Co.,	500	500	500	
Portlan Trust Co.,	2,000	2,200	2.000	
Total Corporation Stock,	3.000			3.000 00
Bank Stock Owned.				
Bath National Bank, Bath,	2.000	2.400	2.000	
Canal National Bank Portland,	500	840	500	
Casco National Bank, Portland,	4,200	6.300	4.200	
First National Bank, Portland,	7,300	10,804	7 300	
First National Bank, Lewiston,	2.500	4,125	2.500	
Manufacturers National Bank, Lewiston,	10.000	12.000	10.000	
Norway National Bank, Norway,	14.800	16.872	14 800	
Shoe and Leather Nat'l Bank, Auburn,	5.000	5,800	5.000	
Total Bank stock of Maine,	46,300			46,300 00
Premium Account (on Bank Stock)			9.265 00	9,265 00
Real Estate Investment,		4.000 00	5 000 00	
Real Estate Foreclosure,		17.259 88	17,259 88	22,259 88
Loans on Public Funds.				
Town of Greenwood Bonds,		1,400 00	1,490 00	1,400 00
Loans on Railroad Bonds.				
Philadelphia and Reading Receivers Certificate,		2,475 00	2,475 00	2 475 00
Loans on Bank Stock.				
Norway National Bank,		200 00	200 00	
People's National Bank, Waterville,		1,500 00	1,500 00	1,700 00
Loans on Savings Bank Books.				
Norway Savings Bank,		200 00	200 00	200 00
Loans on Corporation Stock.				
Norway Building Association,		500 00	500 00	
Bay State Live Stock Co.,		5,000 00	5.000 00	5.500 00
Loans on other Personal Property,		2,383 81	2 383 81	2.383 81
Loan to First Universalist Parish, Norway,		900 00	900 00	900 00
Loans on Mortgages of Real Estate,		68.691 55	71.691 55	71.691 55
Cash Deposited in Norway National Bank,		911 24	914 24	
Cash on hand,		1.265 92	1,265 92	2,180 16
Unpaid accrued interest,		2 738 21		
		$190.771 61		$188,010 40
Due Depositors including accrued Dividends and state Tax.		179.785 19		
Surplus above all liabilities		$10,986 42		

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BY MINNIE UPTON.

This is the story which our grandsire told us
 One Christmas eve, while we,
A merry troop, all pleading for a story,
 Gathered about his knee.

"A story! In good truth, over and over,
 I've told them all; but no,
This one you never heard." "O tell us, grandpa!"
 "It happened long ago,

When all around, where now are fertile meadows,
 And cornfields fair and wide,
The gloomy, shadowy forest stretched about us,
 Boundless on every side.

We lived in a log cabin, with the maples'
 Tips at our very door,
Your grandma, child, and I, in worldly riches,
 We were accounted poor.

But we were rich, child, far beyond the power
 Of mere words to express.
We had each other, and, most precious treasure,
 We both had little Bess.

Your mother, children—even as I tell it
 The swift years backward flow.
And she seems, not a woman, but the baby
 Of fifty years ago.

She seemed of happy song and rippling laughter
 The sweet embodiment,
With the poor, simple toys and home-made playthings
 Happy and well content.

Her birth-day came on Christmas; I had promised
 For many weeks that she,
Should have a doll for a Christmas present,
 A boughten one; her glee

Knew no bounds; for days her only prattle
 Was of the doll. Why, she
Was better pleased than with a promised toy-shop
 Children to-day would be.

Brightly upon us dawned that Christmas morning,
 And to the distant town
I started early, thinking to return long
 Before the sun went down.

I made my purchases and started homeward,
 But roads were rough and poor,
And twilight fell while yet my home was distant
 Two or three miles or more.

I passed on swiftly, urging to his utmost
 My horse, o'er hill and dale,
When to my right, echoing through the forest,
 I heard a piteous wail.

It sounded like a child in some sore trouble,
 But I'd heard hunters say
That panthers oft would wail like to a baby,
 When out in search of prey.

I stopped my horse and listend; 'twas repeated.
 Perhaps some settler's child
Has strayed far from its home, and now is grieving,
 Lost in the forest wild.

It could not be, I thought; yet if it should be!
 Onward I could not go.
I quick dismounted, grasped my trusty rifle,
 And struck off through the snow.

By the sound guided through the darkening forest,
 I hurried on, when lo!
I saw a childish form distinctly outlined
 Against the glistening snow.

Forward I sprang, and raised the tiny figure
 Brushed the snow from its dress,
The moonlight fell upon its face; good heavens!
 It was my little Bess!

The blue eyes opened with a sweet amazement,
 "Papa, I knew ou'd tome,
I's tired and I's told an 'ants my mamma.
 An p'ease 'ets hurry houe."

Ah, never winged steed did travel faster
 Than my good horse, he bore
Tireless, his double load, until I checked him,
 Before the cabin door.

Swiftly I entered with my precious burden,
 The smouldering fire beside
Your grandmother sat like one half dazed with sorrow.
 "Bessie is lost!" she cried.

Her eyes were blind with tears. "Come back my baby,
 Back from the forest wild!"
In her arms outstretched with a mute entreaty
 I placed the sleeping child.

She gave one cry of rapturous joy; then speechless
 Rained kisses on her face,
Crying, "Forgive my unbelief, O Father,
 I thank thee for thy grace."

The child half woke; "O, did 'ou dit my dolly?
 It was so long to wait
I fought I'd tome and meet 'ou half-way, papa."
 The little curly pate

Nodded again. In through the cabin window
 The stars shone, clear and bright,
And we thanked God from humble hearts and grateful,
 That happy Christmas night."

"COME ASHORE."

BY ROBERT BUCHANAN.

"What are you doin' of?" he cried. "Wasting the matches, as if they cost nowt. You'll come to the workus afore you're done."

The days passed, and there was no news of the absent man. Every day Matt went up to the caravan to make inquiries. At last, one afternoon, she returned, looking greatly troubled; her eyes were red, too, as if she had been crying.

"What's the matter now?" demanded William, who had left his usual seat and was standing at the door.

"Nowt," said Matt, wiping her eyelids with the back of her hand.

"Don't you tell no lies. You've heard summat. Stop! What's that theer under your arm?"

All at once he had perceived that she carried a large roll of something wrapped in brown paper. He took it from her, and opened it nervously. It was the crayon portrait of herself executed by the defunct artist.

"Who gave you this here?" cried William Jones, trembling more than ever.

"Tim."

"Who's *he*?"

"Him as come looking arter his master. The painter chap ain't found; and now Tim's going away in the cart to tell his friends. And he give me this—my pictur'; he give me it to keep. His master said I were to have it; and I mean to keep it now he's dead."

William Jones handed back the picture, and seemed relieved, indeed, when it was out of his hands.

"Dead?" he muttered, not meeting Matt's eyes, but looking right out to sea. "Who told you he were dead?"

Matt did not reply, but gazed at William so long and so significantly that the good man, conscious of her scrutiny, turned and plunged into the darkness of his dwelling.

An hour later a loud voice called him forth. He went to the door, and there was Monk, of Monkshurst. It was the first time they had met since they parted on the night of the murder. Monk was dressed in a dark summer suit, and looked unusually spick and span.

"Where's the girl?" he cried, after a whispered colloquy of some minutes. "Matt, where are you?"

In answer to the call Matt appeared at the door. No sooner did she perceive Monk than she trembled violently, and went very pale.

"Come here, Matt," he said, with an insinuating smile. "See! I've brought something for you—something pretty for you to wear."

As he spoke he drew from his waistcoat pocket a small gold ring, set with turquoise stones. But Matt still trembled, and shrank away.

"I don't want it!—I shan't wear it," she cried.

"Nonsense, Matt!" said Monk. "Why, it's a ring fit for a lady. Come, let me put it on your finger."

So great seemed her agitation, so deep her dread of him, that she could not stir; so that when he approached, laughing, and caught her round the waist, he slipped the ring on her finger before she could resist. But it only remained there a moment. With a quick, sharp cry, she tore herself free, and, taking the ring off, threw it right away from her upon the sand. Then, with a wild gesture of fear and loathing, she rushed into the cottage.

William Jones walked over and picked up the ring, while Monk stood scowling darkly after the fugitive.

"What the devil ails the girl?" cried the latter, with a fierce oath, pocketing the present.

"I dunno. She's never been the same since—since the painter chap went missing. I'm afeerd he turned the gal's head."

"He'll turn no more heads," muttered Monk under his breath; he added aloud and with decision, "There must be an end to this. She must be married to me at once."

"Do you mean it, master? When you spoke on it fust I thought you was joking."

"Then you were a fool for your pains. She's old enough, and bold enough, and vixenish enough; but I'll tame her. I tell you there must be no more delay. My mind's made up, and I'll wait no longer."

Sinking their voices they continued to talk together for some time. Now, Matt was crouching close to the threshold, and had heard every word of the above conversation, and much that followed it. When Monk walked away and disappeared, leaving William Jones ruminant at the broken gate, she suddenly reappeared.

Curiously enough all her excitement had departed. Instead of weeping or protesting, she looked at William Jones—and laughed.

Monk had left his horse at the coastguard station. Remounting he rode rapidly away through the sandhills in the direction of the lake. As he approached the spot of the old encampment he saw that the caravan had gone.

He rode on thoughtfully till he gained the highway, when he put his horse into a rapid trot. Just before he gained the gate and avenue near to which he had first encountered Brinkley, he saw the caravan before him on the dusty road.

He hesitated for a moment, then hurried rapidly forward, and, arriving close to the vehicle, saw the Irishman's head looking round at him from the driver's seat. He beckoned, and Tim pulled up.

"Has your master returned? I am informed that he has been missing for some days."

Tim shook his head very dolefully.

"No, sor; sorra sight have I seen of him for three days and three nights. I'm going back wid the baste and the house to tell his friends the bad news. Maybe it's making fun of me he is, and I'll find him somewheres on the road."

"I hope you will," said Monk, sympathetically. "I think—hum—it is quite possible he has, as you suggest, wandered homeward. Good day to you."

So saying Monk turned off by the gate which they had just reached, and rode away up the avenue.

Tim looked after him till he disappeared. Then the same curious change came over him which had come over Matt after she had been listening to the colloquy between Monk and William Jones.

He laughed!

CHAPTER XV.

A BRIDAL PARTY AND A LITTLE SURPRISE.

A week passed away. The shadow of the caravan no longer fell on the green meadow by the lake, and the struggling population of Aberglyn, unsuspicious of foul play, had already forgotten both the caravan and the owner.

And if facts were to be taken into consideration in estimating the extent of her memory, Matt, too, had forgotten. It was common talk now that she, the grammarless castaway, the neglected protegee of William Jones, was to be married to the master of the great house! Nay, the very day was fixed; and that very day was only two sunrises distant, and Monk, of Monkhurst, had in his pocket a special license, which he had procured, at an expenditure of five pounds, from London.

Doubtless, in any other more populous locality the affair would have occasioned no little scandal and many ominous shakings of the head; but the inhabitants were few and far between, and had little or no time for idle gossiping. The coast-guardsmen and their wives were the only individuals who exhibited any interest, and even their excitement was faint and evanescent, like the movements of a fish in a shallow and unwholesome pool.

But the really extraordinary part of the whole affair was the conduct of Matt herself. Apparently quite cured of her former repugnance to a union with Monk, she made no objection whatever to the performance of the ceremony, and laughed merrily when she was informed that the day was fixed. Monk, in his grim, taciturn way, was jubilant. He came to and fro constantly, and assumed the manners of a lover. Had he been less bent on one particular object two things might have struck him as curious: (1) That Matt, though she had consented to marry him, steadfastly refused to wear his ring or accept any other present; and (2) that she still shrunk with persistent and ill-disguised dislike from his caresses.

It was now late in the month of August, and the weather was broken by troublous winds and a fretful moon. For several weeks William Jones, in his mortal terror, had refrained from visiting the cave; he had never set his foot therein, indeed, since the night of the assassination. At last he could bear the suspense no longer.

So late one windy and rainy night he stole forth with his unlit lantern, and fought his way in the teeth of half a gale to the familiar place, which he found, however, with some little difficulty. He was neither superstitious nor imaginative, but throughout the journey he was prey to nameless terrors. Every gust of wind went through his heart like a knife; every sound of wind or sea made that same heart stop and listen. Only supreme greed and miserly anxiety led him on. But at last he gained the cave, within which there was a sound as of clashing legions, clarions shrieking, drums beating, all the storm and stress of the awful waters clashing on the cliffs without, and boiling with unusual screams through the black slit between the cave and the Devil's Caldron.

Trembling, with perspiration standing in great beads on his face, he searched the cave for the corpse of the murdered man, expecting to find it well advanced in decomposition. Strange to say, however, it had disappeared.

William Jones was at once relieved and alarmed; relieved because he was spared a horrible experience; alarmed because he could not account for the disappearance. A little reflection, however, suggested that one of those tidal waves so common on the coast might have risen well up into the cavern, washed away the body from its place on the shingle, and carried it away in the direction of the Caldron. "In which case," he reflected, "them coastguard chaps would find it some day among the rocks or on the shore, and think it had been drowned in the way of natur'."

Satisfied that everything else was undisturbed, he retired as hastily as possible, sealed up the entrance to the cavern, and ran hastily home.

The morning of the marriage came—a fine sunny morning. An open dogcart belonging to Monk, and driven by one of his servants, stood at William Jones' door, and close to it a light country cart, borrowed by William Jones himself from a neighboring farmer. The population, consisting of an aged coastguardsman, two coastguardmen's wives and half a dozen dejected children, crowded in front of the cottage.

The bridegroom, attired in decent black, with a flower in his buttonhole, stood waiting impatiently in the garden. Despite the festive occasion, he had a gloomy and hangdog appearance. Presently there emerged from the door William Jones, attired in a drowned seaman's suit several sizes too large for him, and wearing a chimney-pot hat and a white rosette. Leaning on his arm was Matt, dressed in a dress of blue silk, newly made for her, out of damaged materials supplied by Jones, by one of the coastguard women, a light straw hat with blue ribbons to match, and a light lace shawl. Behind this pair hobbled William Jones' father, whose costume was nautical, like his son's, but more damaged, and who also sported a chimney-pot hat and a white rosette.

The crowd gave a feeble cheer. Matt looked round and smiled, but mingled with her smile there was a kind of vague anxiety and expectation.

It was arranged that Monk should drive Matt in the dogcart, while William Jones and his father followed in the commoner vehicle. At Pencroes, where the ceremony was to be performed, they were to meet with one Mr. Penarvon, a country squire and kindred spirit of Monk's, who had promised to be "best man."

Monk took the reins, while Matt got in and seated herself beside him, the groom getting up behind; and away they went along the sand-choked road, followed by Jones and his father.



THE BRIDAL PARTY.

The day was bright and merry, but Matt never thought of the old proverb, "Merry is the bride that the sun shines on;" she was too busy examining the prospect on every side of her. All at once, as the bridal procession wound round the edge of the lonely lake, she uttered a cry of delight. There, standing in its old place by the lakeside, was the caravan.

Monk looked pale—there was something ghostly in the reappearance even of this inanimate object. He was a man of strong nerve, however, and he speedily smiled at his own fears.

As they approached the spot they saw Tim standing near the vehicle in conversation with two strange gentlemen—one a little man in black broadcloth, the other a tall, broad-shouldered fellow wearing a light overcoat and a wideawake hat. Directly the procession approached this group separated, and its three members walked severally to the road, he with the wideawake hat standing right in the centre of the road quietly smoking a cigar.

As the dogcart came up he held up his hand. Unable to proceed without running him down, Monk pulled up angrily.

"What is it? Why do you block the road!" he cried, fiercely.

"Excuse me, governor, returned the other, coolly. "Mr. Monk, of Monkshurst, I believe."

"That's my name."

"Sorry to trouble you on such a day, but I should like a few words with you."

"I cannot stay—I am going to be married!"

"So I heard," said the man, lifting his hat and bowing with a grin to Matt. "Glad to see you, Miss. How do you do? But the fact is, Mr. Monk, my business won't keep. Be good enough to step this way."

Full of some unaccountable foreboding, inspired partly by the stranger's suave, yet determined, manner, partly by the reappearance of the caravan, Monk alighted, and followed the other across the grass to the close vicinity of the house on wheels. The little elderly man followed, and the man who had first spoken went through the ceremony of introduction.

"This is Mr. Monk, sir. Mr. Monk, this gentleman is Mr. Lightwood, of the firm of Lightwood & Lightwood, solicitors, Chester."

"And you—who the devil are *you*?" demanded Monk, with his old savagery.

"My name is Marshall, Christian name John, though my friends call me Jack," answered the other with airy impudence. "John Marshall, governor, of the detective force."

Monk now went pale indeed. But recovering himself, he cried, "I know neither of you. I warned you that I was in haste. What do you want? Out with it!"

The little man now took up the conversation, speaking in a prim, business-like voice, and occasionally referring to a large note-book which he carried.

"Mr. Monk, you are, I am informed, the sole male heir of the late Colonel Monk, your cousin by the father's side, who was supposed to have died in India in the year 1862."

"Yes, that's true. What then?"

"On the report of his death, his name being included in an official list of officers killed and wounded in action, and it being understood that he died without lawful issue, you laid claim to the demesne of Monkshurst, in Cheshire, and that of the same name in Anglesea. Your claim was recognized, and in 1865 you took possession."

"Well. Have you detained me to hear only what I already know?"

"Pardon me, I have not finished. I have now to inform you that you inherited under a misconception—first, because Colonel Monk was married and had issue; secondly, because he did not die in India, but reached the shores of England, where he perished in the shipwreck of the vessel Trinidad on Christmas day, 1864."

Monk was livid. At this moment Jones, who had been watching the scene from a distance, came over, panting and perspiring in ill-concealed terror.

"Lor', Mr. Monk, what's the matter? Look ye now, we shall be late for the wedding."

As he spoke, Marshall, the detective, clapped him playfully on the shoulder.

"How d'yo do, William Jones? I have often heard of you, and wished to know you. Pray stop where you are. I'll talk to *you* presently."

"I don't know what you mean," Monk now said, with dogged desperation, "with all this rigmarole, Mr. Lightwood, or whatever your name is. It seems to me you are simply raving. If I am not my cousin's heir, who is; tell me that?"

"His daughter," said the man, quietly.

"He never married, and he never had a daughter."

"His daughter, an infant twelve or fourteen months old, sailed to England with him, was shipwrecked with him, but saved by a special Providence, and has since been living in this place under the name of Matt Jones."

"Your intended bride, you know," added Marshall, with an insinuating smile. "Hullo, where is the young lady?"

Monk looked round toward the dog-cart and on every side, but Matt was nowhere to be seen.

"I see her go into that theer cart," said William Jones.

"Call her," cried Monk. "I'll stay no longer here. Listen to me, you two. Whether you are telling truth or lies, that girl is going to become my wife—I have her guardian's consent, and she herself, I may tell you, fully appreciates the honor I am doing her."

"Indeed!" said Mr. Lightwood, smiling. "Unfortunately I, as Miss Monk's legal adviser, must have a say in the matter. Doubtless this marriage would be a very pretty arrangement for keeping the late Colonel Monk's fortune and property in your possession, but I cannot conscientiously approve of the young lady's marriage to an assassin."

"An assassin!—what—what do you mean?" gasped Monk, staggering as if from a blow.

"Tell him, Mr. Marshall."

"All right, sir. Well, you see, Mr. Monk, of Monkshurst," continued the detective, grimly, yet playfully, "you're accused of making away with—murdering, in fact—a young gentleman who came to Aberglyn a few weeks ago in that little house on wheels; and this nice friend of yours" (here he again slapped William Jones on the shoulder) "is accused of being your accomplice."

"No, no. I never done it! I'm innocent, I am!" cried William Jones. "Tell 'em, Mr. Monk, tell 'em—I'd nowt to do with it."

"Silence, you fool," said the other; then he added, turning on his accusers, "You are a couple of madmen, I think! I know nothing of the young man you speak of! I have heard that he is missing, that is all; but there is no evidence that any harm has come to him, for his body has not been found."

Here Marshall turned with a wink to William Jones, and nudged him in the ribs.

"Don't you think, now," he asked, "it might be worth while looking for it in *that little underground parlor* of yours, down alongside the sea?"

William Jones uttered a despairing groan, and fell on his knees.

"I'm ruined!" he cried. "Oh, Mr. Monk, it's your doing! Lord help me! They knows everything."

"Curse you, hold your tongue!" said Monk, with a look of mad contempt and hatred. "These men are only playing upon your fears, but they cannot frighten *me*."

"No?" remarked the detective, lighting his cigar, which had gone out. "I think we shall even manage *that* in time."

As he spoke he carelessly, and as if inadvertently, drew out a pair of steel handcuffs, which he looked at reflectively, threw up and caught underhand in the air.

"You accuse me of assassination?" said Monk, trembling violently. "I warn you to beware, for I will not suffer such accusations without seeking redress. If you have any proof of the truth of your preposterous charge, produce it."

At this moment Matt, looking bright as sunshine, leaped out of the caravan.

"There's my proof," said Marshall. "Miss Monk, this amiable bridegroom of yours denies being concerned in harming Mr. Charles Brinkley. Is he telling the truth?"

Matt's face darkened, and she looked at Monk with eyes of cordial detestation.

"No," she said, "he's lying."

"Matt," cried Monk, fiercely, "take care!"

"He's lying," she repeated, not heeding him. "I see him do it with my own two eyes, and I see William Jones helping him and looking on; they thought that no one was nigh, but I was. I was hiding behind them sacks and barrels in the cave."

To be continued.

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An old physician, retired from practice having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y. 1y50eow

McCLELLAN AND BURNSIDE.

The recent death of General McClellan leaves but few living of those unfortunate commanders who found themselves unequal to the great responsibilities placed upon them during the civil war. Burnside, Halleck, "Fighting Joe" Hooker, and others, had passed away before him, honored by the nation they had served, after having lived down the hostile criticism their official acts had excited. Equal justice will be done to General McClellan, and a true estimate of his abilities as an organizer and a soldier will be recorded. In his political ambition the genial Burnside was far more successful than his old commander, and death found him a senator from Rhode Island. McClellan might have been a cabinet officer but for factional quarrels in New Jersey which made his appointment inexpedient.

Rhode Island's devotion to her handsome senator illustrates a happy characteristic of the smallest State which still distinguishes her. General Burnside was not a native of "Little Rhody"—having come east from Indiana—but he had the right timber in him, and was made governor and afterward senator of his adopted State. The same spirit may be seen in her citizens to-day in their hearty reception of that which will be of benefit to them. A case in point is that of Mr. John A. Bishop, of Central Falls, R. I., who tells this story:

"For eighteen years I suffered with neuralgia and never got any relief until I took Athlophoros. After that had cured me of the disease I became afflicted with sciatic rheumatism, for which I was treated by two doctors. Neither of them did me any good, in fact I grew worse under their treatment. Again I began taking Athlophoros, and, strange as it may seem, relief came almost instantly. The pain abated so that I was able to get around in less than three days, and as I daily grew stronger the rheumatism left me altogether."

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Due from other Companies for re-insurance on losses already paid	651.34
	$691,517.25

LIABILITIES.

Unpaid Losses	$49,383.37
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OXFORD, ss:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February A. D. 1886.

Alfred S. Kimball Executor on the estate of Alpha B. Everett, late of Waterford, in said county, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That the said Executor give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Co. Advertiser, printed at Norway, in said county, that they may appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed. GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.

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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February, A. D. 1886.

On the petition of JOHN HENRY WITT of Norway in said county, praying that some suitable person may be appointed Administrator on the estate of Maranda Witt, late of Norway, in said county, deceased;

ORDERED, That the said Petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed at Norway, in said county, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be holden at Paris, in said county, on the third Tuesday of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and shew cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

9-10 GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.

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Notice of Second Meeting of Creditors in Insolvency.

To the creditors of Ingalls F. Evans of Stoneham, in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, Insolvent debtor.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, That with the approval of the Judge of the Court of Insolvency for said county, the Second Meeting of the creditors of said insolvent is appointed to be held at the Probate Court Room in Paris, in said county, on Wednesday the seventeenth day of March, A. D. 1886, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon,

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Register of the Court of Insolvency for said county of Oxford. 10-11

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Esther's Petition.—Esther iv, 10—v, 3.

Notes.—Ahasuerus is supposed to be the great Xerxes, who led his army against Greece, and was defeated there. Shushan was the capital of Persia, and the modern Susa, where some French explorers have this last year been opening the palace of the Persian kings. The act of Ahasuerus in requiring Vashti to come to the feast was a wanton violation of the proprieties of Eastern life, and we are not to blame her for refusing obedience. Hathach was the chief eunuch in charge of the women's apartments. We cannot well regard Esther as fortunate in gaining the regard of this wicked and drunken king; but, according to Oriental ideas, there was nothing wrong in polygamy, and she could properly become one of the king's wives.——"A message unto Mordecai."—She could not send for Mordecai. It would not have been allowed for him to come into the women's apartments.——"That he be put to death."—The rule was to prevent any attack upon the king's life.——"Think not... that thou shalt escape."—For she was a Jew, and must be killed.——"Deliverance from another place."—Because God would not allow his people to perish.——"Neither eat nor drink."—Not absolute abstinence, but from regular meals.——"Her royal apparel."—To appear as attractive as possible.——"In the inner court."—We may imagine the king's house and its court as separate from that part of the palace where the women's apartments were. The king's house was at the end of a large oblong court, opposite the gate she came in at; and she crossed the court to the entrance of his room, which was separated perhaps by curtains from the court. He, sitting at the further end of the room, could see her through the open curtains as she came in the court and stood at the door of his room.——"The golden scepter."—The peculiar mark of royalty, more special than a crown. Others might have a crown, but only the king had the scepter.

Instruction.—Let us be thankful for a good government. Xerxes's government was atrocious tyranny. Our worst government is infinitely better than the best that the world's old tyrannies knew.

Esther's example is a good lesson how we should act when an important question of duty comes before us. She listened to the voice of God's providence, which seemed to come to her by Mordecai. Then she seriously considered what her duty was, weighing suitably the difficulties. Then she sought counsel of Mordecai, and help from God by prayer. Then she made up her mind what her duty was. Then she did it, at the peril of her life. We can't do better.

The fact that we have not been called is often no reason why we should not press ahead. A man of enterprise, if he does not see any opening, makes one. Improve opportunities to do good; but it is often a duty to push forward and make the opportunities. If Christians had as much enterprise as insurance or book agents the world would be soon converted.

The one who neglects his duty perishes. Esther would have been killed with the Jews, if she had not done her duty. It is their neglect for which the wicked will be judged. "Because ye did it *not*," is what Christ, the Judge, will say to those on his left hand. It thus appears that very reputable people, who do no especially bad thing, may perish for what they do not do, just as Esther might.

If we fail of our duty, God will not fail of his. He will bring glory to his Church in some other way if we fail; but the loss will be ours.

God has put us in the world to meet our opportunities. Esther came to the kingdom for a special purpose. We have our similar part, which God depends on us to do, or it may go undone. Think of the honor of being a part of God's plan of saving the world.

If you are in trouble, and don't know what to do, then pray about it, if you have to pray three days.

The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord; he turneth it as the rivers of water are turned.

To make Ahasuerus the type of God's relation to a sinner is almost blasphemy. God would not have us come to him as Esther came to the king. We must not go to God saying; "If I perish, I perish." If we go to God we cannot perish.

When Esther went in to the king, to the post of duty and danger, she made herself as attractive as possible. She would not fail through any fault of hers. Do the best you can. Be as agreeable as possible; as beautiful as possible. Dress as fittingly, and neatly, and cleanly as you can. Don't despise dress and manners.

What the king said to Esther, "What is thy request?" Christ says to us, "Ask and ye shall receive!" What will we ask for? Some ask for very worthless things if we may judge from what they seem to be working for. What we ask God is likely to give us; what we work for we earn. If we ask for chances to do good, for a beautiful character, or for a depraved character, a besotted taste, for wealth, for position, we are likely receive it. God will help us answer our own petition.

One of the principal features of the March number of ST. NICHOLAS is the first nine of the "St. Nicholas Dog Stories." This series is to include interesting stories, sketches and anecdotes collected from various sources during the last five years; and these will now be published from time to time for the benefit of all dog-lovers. Henry Eckford's "Wonder of the Alphabet" will be a revelation to many readers of the magazine, who have probably never imagined that so many interesting and curious things could be said about those very elementary a, b, c's. "George Washington," Horace E. Scudder's biographical serial, is as entertaining as fiction, and this installment is of special interest, as it tells of Washington's first campaigning experiences—against the French and Indians in 1754.

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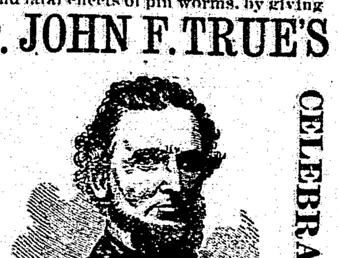
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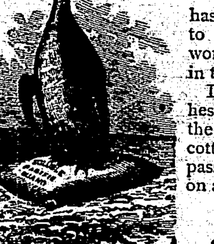
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On the petition of HELLEN E. BARTLETT, Administratrix of the estate of Henry R. Bartlett, late of Bethel in said County, deceased, praying for license to sell and convey all or so much of the real estate of said deceased as may be necessary to pay debts and charges estimated at three hundred dollars:

ORDERED, That the said Petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing an abstract of her petition with this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, a newspaper printed at Norway, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

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